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<u>VICTIM'S ANGER AT PROPOSAL TO SWITCH OFF CAMERA SYSTEM</u>



A COUNCILLOR who worked tirelessly to bring CCTV to Cannock after she was a vic-tim of crime has hit out against her author-ity's plan to axe the cameras. Labour councillor Maureen Freeman was

harassed by a man, who was banned from contacting her and ordered to pay £820 in costs and fines in 2012. She fought to get CCTV cameras installed and has now expressed her disappointment that the system has been included in proposed cuts. Councillor Freeman said: "There are no decisions yet, but I fought very hard to get

CCTV in Cannock Park because of the increase of anti-social behaviour, so for them to go potentially – although, as I say, potentially – I would be very, very disappointed.

They do have a big role to play in preventing anti-social behaviour and go a way in reducing it in town centres in particular.
"I have been in favour of them for quite some time at crime hotspots. I would say

some time at crime hotspots. I would say that CCTV, no matter where the cameras are, are extremely important in keeping people safe."
Under the cost-cutting measures, traders in Cannock's Market Hall would be expected to pay three per cent more for their pitches. One trader, who did not want to be named, said they felt the council was pressive when did not want to be the council was pressive when the property of the council was pressive when with a place with the council was pressive when the council was pressi ing ahead with plans without taking opinions from its tenants at the hall, including a proposal to increase the number of days it is open from three to four a week. "We are

all struggling and, the town being like it is, I

think they are a bit greedy," the trader said.

The impact of the cuts could stretch to footballers, who would be expected to foot an increase of 20 per cent in pitch hire,

an increase of 20 per cent in pitch hire, bringing in an extra £4,000 for the council, it has predicted.

Another proposal would see the end of planting floral displays in Cannock, Rugeley and Hednesford, to save £12,000 a year.

Chris Flood, from Norton Canes Flower Club, said: "I think it's radically wrong."

Another proposal would mean Christmas lights, paid for by the district council this.

lights paid for by the district council this year could be the last, although Hednesford Town Council has said it is likely to be able to pick up the tab there from 2017 onwards.

POLICE 'Clowns' warned over frightening behaviour

THE craze for dressing up as clowns and frightening bystanders could constitute an offence, Staffordshire Police have warned.

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"Their presence can actually intimidate those who come across such behaviour," a force spokesman said.
"We have a received a number of reports relating to this phenomenon.
"While we appreciate Halloween is just short time warns resign people.

a short time away, scaring people – espe-cially children and vulnerable people – in this way is completely unacceptable and could constitute an offence.

"Anyone who sees any suspicious clown activity, or who has been intimidated or upset by this behaviour, should call Staf-fordshire Police immediately on 101."

Council considers rise in car park fees and axe for CCTV

IGE CUTBA

THE closure of council offices, scrapping all public CCTV and rising car parking fees - the full scale of drastic council cuts to desperately save £1.6 million have been revealed and put out for the public to have their say.

Cannock Chase Council has repeatedly warned of its dire financial situation in the wake of Rugeley Power Station closing early, taking almost £1m a year in business rates with it. Council leader George Adamson describes it as the 'most difficult position ever' to face the authority. Now, following the launch of a public consultation, the full list of potential cuts

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Now, following the launch of a public consultation, the full list of potential cuts has been revealed, while four public meetings to discuss the proposals have also been arranged for later this month.

The latest list of options includes axing CCTV to save £107,040 a year, closing the 'one-stop shop' reception desks in Hednesford and Rugeley to claw back £44,000 as well as axing senior posts such as the environmental health manager to save £87,000.

Car parking charges would increase -generating about £50,000 a year - for the first time in five years. Costs would increase by 10p an hour.

At the other end of the scale the council could stop applying for Green Flag awards for its parks to generate another £1,000 while switching to second-class mail only would plug another £8,000.

The Chronicle has previously reported that as part of the same process the authority has published other options to generate funds. If proposals are accepted, burial costs would increase and all town centre floral displays would end.

The council's leader Councillor George Adamson said: "The Council is facing the most difficult financial position ever. This is despite achieving £4.2m savings in recent years from partnerships with Stafford

By Nathan Briant

Borough Council, Wigan Leisure and Culture Trust and reductions in management and administration costs."

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"The leader of the Conservative group on
"Corneillor Paul Snane, said: "I "The leader of the Conservative group on the council, Councilior Paul Snape, said: "I believe we need to make cuts. We need to do more to attract business in a different way for the future. We need to be less reliant on business rates and being innovative.

"We are looking at a new cemetery – we can keep it in house or give it to someone else to run. That could be a way of making it more cost-effective for residents. I am hoping that residents turn out in numbers to say what they want.

"We should be listening to what they are

"We should be instening to what they are telling us. It is easy for me as a ward coun-cillor to say Cannock West residents want this but the people of Cannock West might think differently."

All responses on the council's question-

An responses on the council's question-naire and online must be submitted by November 6. Those results will go towards shaping the authority's draft budget, which will be delivered a month later. The chosen cuts will then be implemented next April.

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Parking charges are likely to be increased





Charges are set to be increased at Cannock Market



Cannock's Citizens Advice Bureau faces cuts
The one-stop shop desks in Hednesford is at risk

CHAMPIONS

Leisure centre to host Robots Live!

THE recently crowned Robot Wars champions Apollo will be fighting it out

live in Cannock among many of the stars of the BBC2's hit returning show. Robots Live! will be at Chase Leisure Centre on Saturday and Sunday – for the first time – as part of their UK tour.

Joining Apollo will be other famous

faces from the new and old series of Robot Wars, including TR2, Eruption, Gabriel and Behemoth, with all of them battling to be crowned the Robots Live! champion. Go to www.robotslive.co.uk

CRIME

Burglars take car keys from house

THIEVES broke into a house in Burntwood and grabbed car keys before taking two vehicles.

venicles.
The keys to a white Ford Kuga and blue
BMW 1 Series were stolen from the house
in Derwent Grove. The crooks then took
the vehicles off the drive. They also took
a number of other items. The incident hap-

a number or other trems. I ne incident nap-pened in the early hours of Saturday. A police spokesperson said: "Please be on your guard and ensure properties are secure at all times and car keys securely stored." Anyone with any information is asked to call Staffordshire Police on 101 quoting incident number 197 of October 8.

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Restaurants are rated



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country, it has been revealed.

The district is ranked in the top 10 across the UK for hygiene inspections

across the UK for hygiene inspections—with 520 premises out of 874 boasting a five-star rating.

The National Food Hygiene Rating Scheme scores businesses that serve food between zero and five, with the former meaning urgent improvement is necessary and the latter meaning the establishment is 'very good'.

Some 99 per cent of dining spots were rated generally satisfactory, good or very good.

And Cannock Chase does not have a single establishment with a rating of zero - compared with dozens in the Black Coun-

try.

In comparison, 152 businesses in neighbouring Walsall were given a rating of one, compared to eight premises in Cannock Chase.

Standards

Six out of the 8/4 establishments in Cannock Chase were given a rating of two, meaning 860 have at least a 'generally satisfactory' hygiene.

Of these, some 604 – 69 per cent – have ratings of four or five meaning they are 'good' or 'very good'.

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Councillor Muriel Davis, health and wellbeing portfolio leader for Cannock Chase
Council, said: "This is testament to the
good work and efforts of our officers and
the vast majority of responsible businesses
who try hard to ensure the correct procedures are being followed and that all hygiene standards meet legal requirements."
One of those to be praised for its hygiene
with its maximum score was Bridgtown
Chippy in North Street.
Anthelo Kristo, the owner of the chip
shop, said: "We took over the chip shop in
2014 and at that time it had a 3 rating.
"We appreciate the time that Cannock

"We appreciate the time that Cannock Chase Council has given us to offer advice." Others to receive a rating of five in Cannock Chase include the Village Cafe in Chadsmoor and the KFC in East Cannock

Hygiene inspection results for the area can be found at www.food.gov.uk

Road, Hednesford.

Six out of the 874 establishments in

A £3 MILLION distribution and customer centre in Cannock has been handed over a month ahead of schedule to a cable management manufacturer.

to a cable management manufacturer. HellermannTyton is relocating from Aldridge to its new 63,000 sq ft warehouse at Kingswood Lakeside, after Birmingham-based Fusion Building Consultancy oversaw the development. The consultancy was appointed by Coltham Developments to be employer's agent and principal designer for the scheme and, thanks to the early completion, HellermannTyton is expected to move in next month) following extensive

fitting-out works. Jon Churchley, commercial manager at HellermannTyton, said: "The development is essential for our growth into the next phase. We will our growth much the next phase, we will have increased inventory space and a customer meeting facility, along with dedicated product training academy for both our staff and customers."

The warehouse will act as a main distribution and customer centre.

Simon Meter reprises preserve and

Simon Mole, project manager and quantity surveyor at Fusion, said: "The entire operation ran very smoothly from beginning to handover and we are pleased to deliver an exceptional facility

for a global brand." The development received forward funding from Custodian Capital and assistance from the Stokeon-Trent and Staffordshire LEP Growing Places fund, which assists firms with

ing Places fund, which assists firms with schemes such as buying or constructing new buildings, refurbishing existing premises, improving access or introducing environmental improvements.

The fund is designed to boost economic activity in Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire, promoting the delivery of jobs and housing and addressing infrastructure and site constraints by offer-

over Brexit 'must come with clarity'

Repeal Bill

A STAFFORDSHIRE business leader has called for clarity in light of the Prime Minister's announcement of a Great Repeal Bill.

Great Repeal Bill.

Theresa May said the bill would end EU law's primacy in the UK by removing the European Communities Act 1972 from the statute book.

Chris Plant, boss of Cannock Chase's Chamber of Commerce, said: "Businesses need day-one certainty on the rules and regulations they will face when the UK exits the European Union. "A stable regulatory framework – not immediate disruption and change – is important at a time of transition and business uncertainty.

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"Since businesses have already incurred the costs of adjustment and adaptation, existing EU rules should be maintained, with more thorough reviews with the films." over the fullness of time.

Last week the Prime Minister de-clared the UK will 'make our own deci-sions' on immigration.

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The Frime Minister has said the On will begin the formal Brexit negotiation process by the end of March 2017.

Mr Plant added: "For most businesses, getting Brexit right is far more important than doing it quickly."

Staffordshire businesses can still screen at 1 million not to

● Staffordshire businesses can still access funding from a £1 million pot to help them grow and succeed. The Chambers of Commerce have been supporting businesses through the Regional Growth Fund (RGF) since August 2013. Call 01782 202222 or email jobsandgrowth@ staffordshirechambers.co.uk

some of the cleanest Builder's help for Scouts and Guides the Cannock Chase district are among the most hygienic in the



Reagan Smith, aged six, Ethan Pile, eight, Leah Abnett, 13, Riley Smith, 10, and Paul Titley, of Cameron Homes

A NEW outdoor activity area which will mean Scouts and Guides can camp next to their centre in Great Wyrley has been given a boost by a building business.

Cameron Homes, based in Chasetown has donated £1 000 worth setown, has donated £1,000 worth of materials to enable the project at the Great Wyrley Scout and Guide Centre in Walsall Road to be com-pleted. The site will include seat-ing, a wood store, timber chopping area and space for camping. Scout group leader Gerry Wil-

son said: "Parents and leaders are working hard to transform an over-grown piece of land into an activity area where the 200 young people who use the Scout and Guide centre can take part in more outdoor pursuits.

pursuits.

"Cameron Homes generously agreed to purchase the materials we needed such as decking boards, fence posts, paving slabs, roof materials and bark mulch at a cost of £1,000. This is the 100th year of Scouting in Cannock Chase so

it seemed right to mark this mile-stone with such an exciting pro-

stone with such an exciting project."
Paul Titley, a quantity surveyor at Cameron Homes, said that as a family-owned business, the firm was always keen to get involved in community-based projects which helped young people. "This is an excellent initiative which we are delighted to support and we hope the activity area is well used by the hundreds of Scouts and Guides in Great Wyrley," he said.

Churches boost harvest appeal

CANNOCK people have been making sacrifices to raise money to help com munities across the world grow enough

Churchgoers in the district last year raised £1,417 and hope to do even better this year to raise money for Catholic aid agency CAFOD's harvest appeal.

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The annual fundraising campaign is this year focused on families in the South American country of Bolivia whose crops and livelihoods have been impacted by extreme weather.

Julia Hood, CAFOD's representative for Cannock, said. 'Harvest fast days are a great way of bringing people together and raising an incredible amount of money to help others, so we'd like to say a huge thanks to the parishioners in Cannock for their generosity."

Woman injured as two cars collide

A WOMAN in her 20s was taken to hospital with chest pains after a two-car crash shut a road in Great Wyrley.

The cars collided at the junction of Walsall Road and Norton Lane at about 5.20pm on Thursday, and the road was closed until about 9pm.



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Air quality monitoring continues at fire farm

SMALL pockets of combustion have remained at the site of a large waste fire which ignited around a month

ago.
Firefighters and environmental of Frienghters and environmental officers have been on site at Oak Tree Farm in Slitting Mill since early September when a blaze involving more than 700 tonnes rubbish got out of control.

Sacks of soil have since been used to cap the heap while the levels of smoke, which had been billowing heavily from the site for days after, has now reduced significantly.

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Air quality tests confirmed that
there is no risk to public health following concerns that asbestos had
been burned at the farm.

Adam Lines, environment manager
with the Environment Agency, said:
"We are also contacting local waste
carriers who may have used the site
in the past asking them to take waste

carriers who may have used the six in the past asking them to take waste to alternative legal waste sites.

"We are continuing to work with partners to carry out any necessary monitoring of the area now and in the

Cannock Chase Council, Stafford Cannock Chase Council, Stafford-shire County Council and Stafford-shire Fire and Rescue Service have been regularly monitoring the site to ensure it remains safe. Daily air monitoring results con-

Daily air monitoring results continue to be constantly low and are published on Cannock Chase Council's website at www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/slittingmill

Requests for hard copies can be made by calling 01543 462621.

Cancer care data prompts pledge

HEALTH bosses have said they are committed to improving cancer care after performance figures were released by NHS England.

The data showed less than half of patients covered by the Cannock Chase Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) were given early diagnosis, defined as being before the tumour has begun to spread.

Figures for the Stafford and Surrounds CCG showed treatment was not started on more than a quarter

not started on more than a quarter of patients within the 62-day govern-

or patients within the 62-aay govern-ment target of being diagnosed. Guy Cochrane, spokesman for the CCGs, said: "We are aware of the lat-est results and would like to re-state our commitment to delivering the best presible services for people." best possible services for people

Seven vehicles in pile-up on the M6

A SEVEN-VEHICLE pile-up caused traffic chaos on the M6 on Friday. Six cars and a lorry were in the crash between junctions 15 and 14 southbound at 7pm. It is thought there were no serious injuries.

£15m remembrance centre about to open



An artist's impression of the centre

A NEW £15.7 million remembrance centre at the National Memorial Ar-

centre at the National Memorial Ar-boretum will be unveiled next week. The facility, which will help to in-form half a million visitors a year, will be open to the public on Friday, October 21.

"Featuring three new exhibition galleries, a larger restaurant and shop, separate coffee shop and a beautiful cloistered courtyard with garden, the new centre will transform the experience of our many visitors," a spokesman for the Arboretum said. "At the heart of our new Remem-

providing a preview of the Arboretum and an introduction to the concept of remembrance and why it is an important human need spanning thousands

of years.
"With fully immersive audio visual displays, hands-on interactives, artistic interpretation and the opportunity for visitors to share their experiences,

it's the perfect start to a visit here."

The facilities are being provided after a major fundraising campaign, launched by the Duke of Cambridge,

along with donations from Stanford-shire County Council and the Herit-age Lottery Fund.

The Ministry of Defence and The Royal British Legion will host an event at the National Memorial Arboretum on November 6 to commemo-

rate 60 years since the ceasefire was announced in the Suez Canal Zone.

During the proceedings, the 450
British military casualties from 1951 to 1956 will be remembered.

Ticket applications are welcomed from all who have a personal connection with the operations.

Donation

tackle 'a

cat crisis'

STAFF from M6 Toll opera tor Midland Expressway Ltd (MEL) presented a cheque for £500 to a cat rescue centre in Great Wyrley.

stray cats are ever increas-ing, with the cost of neu-

"My family and I first met

Nationalised - Page 19

dium build with thin light brown hair combed back flat. The incident hap-pened at midday last Wednesday. **Artists urged to** join Enjoy group

elderly woman

MONEY was stolen from a vulnerable elderly woman in Great Wyrley. A man approached the woman, who is in her 80s, offering to do some gardening work and followed her into her house where he stole a purse and more than £200 in cash from the bedroom. No work was undertaken. He then left in a truck-style vehicle with a white cab and open rear with plywood sides. He is described as white and tanned and in his 30s and of medium build with thin light brown hair

PROFESSIONAL or semi-profession-al artists living and working in Staf-fordshire are being encouraged to join a group promoting creativity in the county.

Staffordshire Enjoy Art, supported by Destination Staffordshire, puts on exhibitions across the county.

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Every member of Staffordshire Enjoy Art also gets a listing in a dedicated tourism leaflet and their own page on the Enjoy Staffordshire website. For further information, call 01543 478899 or email members@staffordshireenjoyart.com

Raiders scared off by family's dogs

WOULD-BE thieves tried to break into a house in Cannock before being scared away by the family's dogs. The property in Johnson Road was

argeted in the early hours of Thurs-day when an attempt was made to force the lock on the back door and

windows.

The dogs scared off the offenders after they failed to get into the house.

Staffordshire Police have urged residents to be on their guard and report any suspicious activity on 101.

End of the road for another bus service

ANOTHER bus route in Staffordshire has stopped for the final time – following a raft of changes brought in by operator Arriva last month.

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The company closed its Stafford base in September and moved all operations to Cannock. And on Friday evening, it stopped running its 19/20 service from Cannock to Heath Hayes.

"We already base the 61 mosts in

"We already have the 61 route in place, which has been operating since September 3 and covers parts of the 19/20 route," Arriva said.

Street collection

LOCAL volunteers took to the streets LOCAL volunteers took to the streets of Cannock town centre on September 24 to raise funds for Compassion in World Farming. Donations totalled £126.57 which will go towards helping the animal welfare organisation to continue to campaign for improved farming standards. farming standards.

Medication concerns over death of wife, 67

over the medication given to his wife, who died from pneumonia after originally being taken to hospital

for a leg fracture.
Gillian Grube, of Market Place, Penkridge, died on February 11 after being taken to the Royal Stoke University Hospital for treatment having suffered a fall at home.

An inquest in Cannoc heard that Mrs Grube,

An inquest in Cannoc neard that Mrs Grube, who had suffered from Crohn's disease for 35 years, had fallen off a chair while her husband, Michael, was out of the front room. Mr Grube returned after hearing a thud to see his wife lying on the floor in considerable pain. She was taken to hospital where it was confirmed she had suffered a fracture in her level are

connimed she had suffered a fracture in her left leg.

Mr Grube expressed concern during the inquest that a combination of tramadol, tamazepam and codeine given to his wife, who died aged 67, during her stay in hospital, contributed to her death.

He said the redication served her to feel so

He said the medication caused her to feel so drowsy that she could not take part in physio-therapy sessions, which doctors admitted could have led to a build-up of fluid on her lungs.

Drugs

A letter written by Mr Grube, read out by coroner's officer Simon Webster during the hearing, said: "Mr Grube feels his wife would still be alive today if she hadn't suffered the fracture to her leg. Concerns regarding prescription medication given to her were raised with hospital staff due to the fact she had suffered with Crohn's for a long time and had a poor immune system.

"He believes she should not have taken the drugs she was prescribed together."

"He believes she should not have taken the drugs she was prescribed together."
Doctors said Mrs Grube had been prescribed the drugs before she was in hospital but admitted they could have spoken with her family before administering the medicine.

Mr Ashique Ali, an orthapedic consultant with the University Hospitals of North Midlands Trust, said: "With hindsight, the administering of these drugs could have been discussed with the family but it is difficult to talk about these things so early on. "Our main discussion centred on whether to operate or not."

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operate or not."

Coroner Margaret Jones delivered a verdict that Mrs Grube died as a result of an accident.



Gaynor Kmiolek, a volunteer at Cats Whiskers Rescue in Great Wyrley, with Neville Chilton, an IT manager at Midland Expressway Ltd



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TV switches from programmes to adverts with no warning. One moment we were wincing in horror at the young sheep with a huge, shiny, prolapsed rectum in The Yorkshire Vet (C5), the next we were invited to try a gourmet break in a Yorkshire hotel, featuring tender, glistening burgers. I bet they didn't get many inquiries.

ALL the political parties are pledged to build more homes. So where will they go? I drove across to Cambridge this week and then back via Bedford. It was like one and then back via Bedford. It was like one vast new housing estate. Host count of the number of part-built streets, gobbling up meadows which have been farmed for a thousand years. The irony is that having destroyed all vestiges of Saxon farming, developers choose names such as Saxon Way.

WHOPPER of the week as the nation's emails crashed yet again: "Yahoo! Will be right back. Our engineers are working quickly to resolve the issue." Depends how you define "quickly," doesn't it?

I BET there is not a woman in the land who doesn't not understand why Diane James stood down as the leader of Ukip



you succeed you'll have to have another kiss from Nigel Farage.

I LOVE the latest suggestion from Whitehall that restaurants serving huge pudding portions should be "named and shamed" in the fight against obesity. But if eateries decided to reduce pudding portions for the common good, what would be a part of the common good, what would be a part of the common good, what would be a part of the common good what would be a part of the common good what would be a part of the common good what we have a part of the common good what we have a part of the common good what we have a part of the common good what we have a part of the common good what we have a part of the common good what we have a part of the common good what we have a part of the common good what of the common good what we have a part of the common good what we have good when the common good when would happen next? We have seen it with would happen next? We have seen it with punters who avoid high prices for pub and club booze by "preloading" beforehand with a bottle or two of vodka. I can imagine serious noshers stuffing themselves with pudding before even arriving at the restau-rant. Behold, a new social evil, pre-loading on spotted dick.

MANGLED metaphors in Birmingham If you believe everything you heard from Conservative leaders, the way ahead is going to be a stormy sea and a rough ride with many bumps in the road and a bit of a rollercoaster. After the Tory Conference should we be travelling by boat, car or fairground ride? I think I'll be packing my truth used the result of the road of trusty pogo-stick, just in case the grapes of wrath come home to roost.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Charity fundraising is a piece of cake Campaigner

SHOPPERS in Cannock were treated to a feast of cakes that would put Great British Bake Off contestants to shame in aid of a charity event.

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Cannock Shopping Centre marked
the world's biggest coffee morning,
organised by Macmillan Cancer Support, by serving up cupcakes, muffins
and more to customers.

Shoppers could also browse a

traders selling a range of products including homemade gifts, and organic beauty items, with the shopping centre donating the traders' rent to Macmillan. The event raised £571.58 for Macmillan, beating previous years' totals. years' totals.

Natal Chapman, centre manager, said: "Macmillan is a cause close to many of our customers' hearts, and our coffee morning has become an

■ Wolgarston High School in Penkridge hosted two coffee morn-ings for Macmillan. More than 160 cakes and cookies were sold, raising £139.70. Student helpers on the day were Charlotte Addison, Kiera Hope, Davina Dickinson, Matthew Wright, Lauren Hayward, Ellie Fletcher, Katie Riley, Millie Rose Hyde-Jones,

• A coffee morning at St Peter's Primary School in Hednesford raised £250 in total for Macmillan. Head-teacher Samantha Price said: "In the last few years we have had a number of members of our school community who have been diagnosed with the disease and, I'm pleased to say, have come through the other end."

Mill Green knock-on effect 'is £20m loss'

By Nathan Briant

NEARLY £20 million could be lost by Walsall traders every year once the new Mill Green designer outlet village is up and running, it

has been predicted.
A study into the potential impact has estimated that 4.6 per cent of trade -£19.69m - could be lost from

trade -£19.69m - could be lost from Walsall town centre in 2018.

The warning comes as more than a quarter of Walsall's shops are standing empty, placing it in the top 10 worst towns for vacant units in

the country.

The proportion of vacant units has increased over the last year, with 27.6 per cent of them currently classified as empty, according to a study from Local Data Company, although Walsall Council disputes

atthough Waisail Council disputes the figures.

Last year that figure was 26.2 per cent. The borough has also seen the total number of shops out of action rise to the sixth worst in the country – up from ninth in 2015.

Approval

Mill Green, which developers have said is 'the biggest development of its kind in the West Midlands' will bring 1,200 jobs when it opens.

A report prepared for Walsall Council's planning committee shows the authority has been told Willamball could be set to less 3.4

willenhall could be set to lose 3.4 per cent of its trade – worth about £890,000. Darlaston could lose one per cent – worth £680,000 – and Bloxwich 0.3 per cent or £210,000.

The new Cannock centre will have

The new Cannock centre will have 130 designer outlet stores and restaurants and 2,000 parking spaces. Outline plans for the centre were submitted in February 2015 and Cannock Chase Council approved them in November. But the proposal them had to got the approval from them in November. But the proposal then had to get the approval from central government, which was given by the then Secretary of State for Communities and Local Govern-ment, Greg Clark. Developers will also invest £150,000 in Cannock town centre

to help minimise the impact Mill Green could have on shops there.

30 cars an hour break speed limit



Community Speedwatch group members, from left, Councillors Robert Perkins and Trevor Downing, and Alan Smith

MORE than 30 motorists an hour are breaking the speed limit on the main road into Cannock from the M6.

speed limit on the main road into Cannock from the M6. Wedges Mills Community Speedwatch members say they are clocking up to 35 cars every hour driving too fast on the A4601 Wolverhampton Road.

Armed with a speed gun recording drivers travelling over 30mph towards Longford Island, the volunteers, led by former collision investigator Alan Smith, aged 72, pitched up on the route near the Chase Gate pub on four occasions in late August and early September.

Mr Smith said: "Our main concerns are the speed cars are going, the vibrations this is causing to the houses, the noise and, of course, the obvious safety issues.

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"It is ridiculous down here. There is going to be a serious accident soon." The group members say their find-

ings are only the tip of the iceberg because they cannot record every driver. They are managing to log the details

record every driver. They are managing to log the details of the first car if a convoy of traffic goes by and have monitored vehicles heading in one direction only.

Mr Smith estimates that out of up to 700 vehicles each hour at busy times, more than 500 are breaking the speed limit. The group has now launched a campaign, backed by 120 neighbours, calling on authorities to bring in a number of safety measures. Mr Smith said: "The A4601 is considered by the county [council] to be a safe road. The residents tell of different experiences."

Mark Deaville capinet member for transport and

Mark Deaville, cabinet member for transport and highways at Staffordshire County Council, said: "We are aware of the group's findings and will be looking to see if anything needs to be done to address speeding."

on pension age aims to form group

A CANNOCK woman was amon hundreds who protested in Birming ham over a fairer pension deal – and is now looking to set up a local cam-

is now looking to set up a local campaing group.

The demonstration, by Waspi —
Women Against State Pension Inequality — took place outside the ICC
during the Conservative Party conference last week.

The group is fighting changes made to the state pension age for women born on or after April 1951.

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Under the canges, brought in by the Conservative government, a women's state pension age has risen from 60 to 65 - the same as men's.

The group believes these were implemented without the chance to make alternative plans and argue their retirement plans have been expressed.

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The campaign began with five women last year. There are now 110 groups across the UK.

Petitions have been signed to supporting Tory MPs and were being handed in to the House of Commons this week

Lyn Tranah, who attended last week's demonstration in the second city, is now keen on setting up a local group.

group.

She said she was looking for women from Cannock and surrounding areas, including Rugeley, Hednesford, Wolverhampton and Stafford who don't have a local group.

Anyone wishing to get involved can mail Mr. Transh et woorliedica.

email Mrs Tranah at waspiladies@

£1k bill for selling cars from home

A HEATH HAYES man who was told to stop selling vehicles from his house but continued to do so has been fined.

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John Birch, aged 55, of Badgers
Way, was served with a notice by Cannock Chase Council to stop operating
a car sales business from his home on
September 7, 2015. But the council
found he had continued to advertise
the cars in Auto Trader between April
27 and July 28 this year.
He pleaded guilty at Newcastle-Under-Lyme Magistrates Court to not
complying with an enforcement notice
and was fined £500 and ordered to pay
£500 costs and a £50 victim surcharge.
Economic development and plan-

Economic development and plan-ning leader Councillor Gordon Alcott said: "Cannock Chase Council will prosecute those residents who don't comply with enforcement notices."

Severn Trent picks up home builders' award

SEVERN Trent won the utility of the rear award from the Home Builders' Federation of England and Wales. Steve Betteridge, head of developer services at Severn Trent, said: "We're

absolutely delighted to have taken this title."





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Necklaces are stolen in street on same day

A THIEF grabbed necklaces from three women in broad daylight on the same day.

Police are searching for a van driver who chased the offender and who could help officers in their investiga-

The identical thefts happened in Burntwood, Lichfield and Norton

In each incident, the offender ran up to his victim, grabbed a necklace from around her neck and then made

off.

A suspect was subsequently detained and arrested on suspicion of the thefts. In the Lichfield incident, witnesses told of a van that stopped at the scene and the driver got out and gave chase.

The driver returned to the scene

shortly after, saying that he had seen the robbery suspect jump into a wait-

ing Audi.
The incidents happened on Septem-

The incidents happened on September 29.
Staffordshire Police spokesperson George Bailey said: "We would, obviously, really like to identify the driver of the courier van, as his statement would be key evidence in the case against the suspect we arrested in connection with all three incidents. "If you know the courier driver, or indeed you are he, please call Staffordshire Police on 101 and quote 368 of 29 September.

of 29 September.
"You can also call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111, where information left can neither be recorded nor traced."

Survey on how to look after Chase

PEOPLE are being invited to have their say on the best ways to look af-ter Cannock Chase's natural habitat.

ter Cannock Chase's natural habitat. Cannock Chase Country Park, Bevin's Birches and the adjoining land are much loved by visitors and tranquil areas to walk dogs, ride bikes or horses and explore the wildlife. But, left alone, this unique landscape which makes Cannock Chase so special will become overgrown, affecting views, routes, wildlife and heritage.

Now, a project by the county soun-cil, RSPB and Natural England is exploring options on how the area can be protected. People can have their say visitor Centre, Marquis Drive, on Sunday from 11am to 5pm or at www. managingcannockchase.co.uk

M6 closed as car destroved by fire

A STRETCH of the M6 was closed after a car was destroyed by fire.

The blaze between junctions 12 and 13 northbound near Cannock at 10.51am on Thursday involved a yellow Audi. No-one was injured.

Donation sees Cadets sail into new era



Sea Cadets in the new Trinity 500 at their Blithfield Reservoir sailing base

STAFFORD and Rugeley Sea Cadet Unit has received a £3,400 donation from The People's Postcode Lottery towards purchasing a new rowing

The cash has enabled the outfit to oby a custom-designed Trinity 500, which means leaders can provide rowing training to young people from the local community and progress them through a syllabus designed alongside British Rowing.

Commanding Officer Lieutenant (SCC) Lee Townsend RMR said: "We are delighted with the very generous

donation from The People's Postcode Lottery. It's a dream come true for

Stafford and Rugeley Sea Cadet Unit opened in 1939. In 1946 the club moved to its cur-

The state in the state in the state in the state in the state is the state in the state is the s learning nautical skills.

Membership currently stands at 45 cadets and nine volunteers but the unit is looking for more. Whether

young people aged between 10 and 18 an environment where they can find confidence and inspiration, through nautical adventure. Across the UK, 14,000 young people

are challenging themselves and learning new skills based on the customs and traditions of the Royal Navy to give them the best possible head start

The unit is open every Tuesday and Friday from 7pm to 9.30pm. For fur-ther information about the unit visit www.sea-cadets.org/staffordrugeley

NEWS IN BRIEF 5 £75,000 diggers

stolen from firm TWO large diggers worth £75,000 were stolen from a builders merchants in Rugeley.

The Hitachi excavators were taken from Tippers in Power Station Road. One of the machines that was stolen weighs five tons and the other 22 tons It is thought a large low loader would have been needed to take them away.

The excavators were stolen between The excavators were stolen between 5pm on Monday last week and 8.30am the following day. Anyone with any in-formation is asked to contact Stafford-shire Police on 101 quoting incident number 135 of October 4.

Ex-England star at firm's open days

A BURNTWOOD business has unveiled its new steel slitting line.

Steel Processing Midlands has invested more than £1.5 million in the equipment and an extension to its works at Burntwood Business Park to accommodate further growth.

Open days were held to show off the open days were near to show out the new processing facility to customers and suppliers. More than 50 people at-tended on each day, and former Eng-land goalkeeper Peter Shilton was the guest speaker at both.

The slitting line has been supplied by Wolverhampton's Georg UK.

Theatre to host Addams Family

BROWNHILLS Musical Theatre Company is bringing a new musical comedy based on cartoonist Charles Addams's macabre characters to Cannock next month.

The Addams Family is being staged at the Prince of Wales Theatre from November 2 to 5.

There are performances each day at 7.30pm and a Saturday matinee at

Tickets are £15 and can be booked

Employees to celebrate firm's 10th anniversary

MORE than 1,000 employees of Can-nock-based Briggs Equipment, and their families, will be joined by col-leagues from across the Atlantic as

leagues from across the Auditic as the company celebrates its 10th anni-versary while raising money for Teen-age Cancer Trust.

The firm's 1,200 UK employees have been invited, and many will be joining the celebrations. The senior executive team from parent company Sammons Enterprises Inc will also be attending from the United States.

Valley destination

CHASE Ramblers' outing on Sunday is an eight-mile moderate walk from Alton & Churnet Valley. The meeting point is Hednesford railway station car park, in Anglesey Street, Hednesford, for a 9am prompt departure. For further details call Lorraine on 07986 436752. New walkers are welcome.

RSPCA appeal on dog found dumped in field

an emaciated dog in an 'appalling' condition was dumped in a field in Cannock.

The female Staffordshire bull terrier, which has been named Ruby, weighs 8kg instead of the 20kg she should be.

As well as being extremely underweight, Ruby had infected open sores on her back legs

and an ulcerated eye which is so infected that

which is so intected that it now needs removing. She was found by a member of the public on Thursday in a field oppo-site the One Stop store in Longford Road. RSPCA inspector

in Longtord Road.
RSPCA inspector
Laura Bryant, who is
investigating the case,
said: "Ruby was in the
most appalling condition
when she was found, and clearly had been for some time.

"She is just skin and

Ruby is recovering Ruby is recovering
bone and sadly is going to lose an eye due to an ulcer which has not been treated.
"The open sores on her behind look extremely painful and should have been treated a very long time ago.
"Ruby has clearly been very uncomfortable for a while but the income capital red is entired.

for a while but she is now on pain relief and is

"It is hard to believe why someone would dump Ruby, as she is absolutely adorable and

is very friendly.

"We are very keen to find out who dumped
Ruby, and we urge anyone who has any information to contact us in complete confidence on
0300 123 8018."

Ruby is now recovering while in the RSF

Ruby is now recovering while in the RSP-CA's care. It is hoped that she will be available for rehoming soon once she has recovered.

The RSPCA is the only animal welfare charity prosecuting those who harm animals, and in 2015 it secured 1,781 convictions.

Officers rescue the animals most in need and

offer them safety and treatment at the charity's centres until they can be rehomed or released.

leased.

The RSPCA relies on public donations. To assist its inspectors in carrying out its vital work, text HELP to 78866 to give £3.

Village gets its first defibrillator



Gavin Williamson hands over a defibrillator to Emma Farrington at Great Wyrley Community Centre

SOUTH Staffordshire MP Gavin installed at Great Wyrley Commu-

SOUTH Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson was on hand to present the first potentially life-saving defibrillator in Great Wyrley.
Wyrley Defibrillators – a group dedicated to getting the life-saving devices installed in the village – have so far raised more than £1,500 since they set up in June.
They are looking to raise a further £7,500 and get five of the devices attached to buildings across the area, with the first one

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nity Centre

Automated external defibrilla-tors (AEDs) deliver electric cur-rents for people suffering cardiac dysrhythmias and are designed to be easy to use.

Ron Myatt from Wyrley Defi-brillators said: "In Great Wyrley, we have a strong voluntary com-munity with a number of us being

members of various groups.
"We knew of defibrillators and

could not recall where any were

could not recall where any were installed to support the Great Wyrley community."

Money has so far been raised by groups including Landywood District Voluntary Help Centre, Great Wyrley Local History Society, the Walk for Health group and Harrisons crib team and local employer Aggreko.

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Colourful language for the 'too close' car

HUMBLE pie time. A few weeks ago said the reason modern technology was so boring was down to the fact that an-ything that served any useful purpose had already been invented, and that supposedly new developments were mostly either gimmicks or variations on an old

theme.

But then along come those crazy South

But then along come those crazy South Koreans to prove me wrong, with the in-vention we have all been waiting for. Kiss On The Road is a set of paint nodules which have been fitted to a little Hyundai hatchback, which sprays mes-sages onto the road behind.

sages onto the road behind.
Its creators suggest that eventually it could be used to spray road safety messages, such as alerting drivers behind to a crash ahead, but to begin with it is most likely to be used by the advertising industry.

most likely to be used by the advertising industry.

They're missing a trick. If I bought one, it wouldn't be to sell anything, or to tell the people behind me to wear a seatbelt or inform them that tiredness kills. But it would be deployed every time somebody in a mid-range German saloon car feels the need to drive within six inches of my back bumper on the motorway flashing

back bumper our their headlights.

I think "back off" painted in large letters on the bonnet would communicate the message beautifully...

IMAGINE you are elderly or vulnerable, or maybe a mother out with two young children. How would you feel if some juvenile delinquent in a creepy clown's mask jumped out brandishing a plastic knife?
This latest craze has already led to a

13-year-old boy being arrested in West Bromwich, and I don't suppose he will be the last

the last.

What is it with these people? Can't they just stick to skulking in darkened bedrooms slaying zombies on their computers, or whatever it is they do?

Sooner or later one of them will come a cropper and pick on the wrong person, and my gut reaction is it would serve them right.

them right.

However, I bet they will be the first to go squealing to the law if anyone lays a finger on them. They will probably say it's a hate crime.

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AM I the only one who is sick of hearing embittered EU supporters complaining that they don't know what Brexit looks

Surely that is the point. It is about the freedom to shape our nation, without interference from the former president of

Luxembourg.

If the political establishment don't know what Brexit looks like, perhaps they should do what they are paid for and come up with some ideas. Then we will tell them whether we like it or not.





War veterans and amputees gathered at Hednesford Town



Night to celebrate heroes of conflict

A sum of £2,000 was raised as veterans relived some of their most traumatic experiences. JESSICA LABHART reports

IT was night of music, smiles and celebration, even though some of those in the crowd had gone through some of the most traumatic experiences of war.

Veterans from across the West Midlands came together to share their life-changing experiences of the conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq as part of a charity fundraiser for Help for Heroes. The night raised more than £2,000.

night raised more than £2,000. It revealed some of the harrowing experiences suffered by the veterans who are still on the road to recovery.

Scott Yarrington, aged 31, of Bloxwich was in the army in 2005, with the Irish Guards. He served in Iraq in 2007 and Afghanistan in 2010. Whilst in Afghanistan on December 29, 2010, he was in charge of searching for improvised explosive devices along a bridge area when he stepped on it, losing both his legs.

Transferred

Mr Yarrington said: "I just started screaming because the pain was hitting me. I woke up in the QE hospital in Birmingham."

He spent two months in the QE, before being transferred to Headley Court – the specialist defence medical rehabilitation centre near Surrey. At the start of May 2011 he met his now fiancée Rachel Andrews, aged 28, and the pair later had son Alfe. aged three. follownis now nances reached Andrews, aged 25, and the pair later had son Alfie, aged three, following IVF treatment.

He is now helping young cadets learn the ropes as part of the Mercian Regiment.

His inspirational story was one of many on the pright.

the night.
Clive Smith, aged 31, who lives in Walsall, also stepped on an explosive device when he was in Afghanistan on October 13, 2010. He lost both legs. Despite being conscious



Guardsman Scott Yarrington, of Bloxwich

throughout the ordeal, Sapper Smith's main

throughout the ordeal, Sapper Smith's main concern was the wellbeing of his comrades, who rushed to his aid as he lay bleeding in the battlefield. Within 36 hours he was flown to Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham.

Mr Smith, a Wolves fan originally from Cannock, was later transferred to Headley Courtand also spent time at the Battle Back Centre in Lilleshall. The centre, funded by the Royal British Legion belps sick and wounded

Centre in Lilleshall. The centre, funded by the Royal British Legion, helps sick and wounded service personnel recover.

Since having artificial legs, he has competed in the men's hand bike time trial, IHB2 class, at the Invictus Games at the Olympic Park in London. At Molineux, he has presented the match ball and been named Championship fan of the month.

In 2012 he was chosen as the face of the

In 2012 he was chosen as the face of the Royal British Legion's National Poppy Appeal. Speaking of what it meant to be at the char-



Clive Smith from Walsall

ity fundraiser, Mr Smith said: "I think it's important for us to come together like this to raise the profile of Help for Heroes and also to show people that there is life after serious

Dave Watson, of Birmingham, aged 30, was in Afghanistan in 2010 when he was on patrol, tasked to find an improvised explosive device. He was the 50th man in a group of 53, and

He was the 50th man in a group of 53, and turned to help a fellow solider who had fallen down. As he twisted to turn, he took a wrong step on to the explosive device. He lost both legs and his right forearm.

Mr Watson has since undergone extensive rehabilitation and has not let his injuries hold him back. After a £120,000 operation in Australia, funded by his compensation from the street of the control of the street o army, to give him high-quality prosthetic legs, he has completed 15 skydives, five abseils, and goes skiing and waterskiing. He is also a re-



David Watson, of Birmingham

spected discus, shot put and javelin thrower. He is in training for both the Invictus Games and the Paralympic Games in 2020. Event organiser Andy Sawyer said: "It was

absolutely unbelievable, we raised £2,180. "Half will go to Team Ditcher Big Battlefield Bike Ride 2017 in aid of Help the Heroes. We will and donating the other half to Veterans'

"It's not often that veterans have a chance to meet up and talk about their experiences, but also raise money for a good cause and ulti-mately, have a good time, so I'm really pleased

with how everything has gone.."

Veterans' Lifeline has been set up by former Veterans' Lifeline has been set up by former solider Nick Perry, 41, of Liverpool who joined the army at 16 and served in Iraq and Afghanistan. He set up the charity to help veterans struggling with post-traumatic-stress and other issues to overcome their difficulties."

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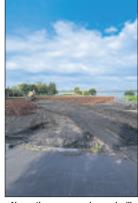
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Thursday,

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So, just how many suits?

THE recent article about the £55 billion white ele-phant known as HS2 stated that two thirds of the 27,000 jobs it will apparently create will be involved in its con-

struction (September 29).
So can we assume that for every two people putting their back into building the thing, there will be a highly paid person in a suit looking over their shoulders?

MARK DE BANK

You should be washing out your dirty food containers before putting them in the blue bin. If you dispose of clean containers you won't need to wash the blue bin out quite so often.

I imagine your blue bin smells, is a

health hazard and maggots love it!

DISGUSTED Hednesford

I ADDRESS this to Curious and anyone else struggling with the blue bin problem of festering juices in your rerecycling instructions (September 29). cycling bin. Wash and drain jars, tins

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WE are organising a 40etc before disposal.

and hygienic to wash recycling items before putting them into your bins? I

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This is what I have done for over 50 WHY doesn't he or she use their com-This is what I have done for over 50
years and I never have a smelly bin. I
hope you find this tip useful.

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A KNOWITALL Rugeley

Reactionaries ignore <u>LETTERS TO THE EDITOR</u> the cause of defeats

PETER RHODES echoes the myth perpetuated by Labour reactionaries, that they cannot win an election without appealing to Tory voters (Chronicle, October 6).

The Conservative Party has only won one election in 20 years, and that with a 12-seat majority, appealing to less than a quarter of the electorate.

In the science of political economy, there is no middle ground. To hear the reactionaries talk, you would never guess they had lost the last two elections by attempting to mimic the Tories. And that they are not only politically incompetent, but also financially, leaving the party £25 million in debt.

Jeremy Corbyn has transformed the party in just one year, despite their worst efforts, by wiping out the debt and

year, despite their worst efforts, by wiping out the debt and

tripling the membership.

He is energising the labour and trade union movement, by offering alternative policies to the Tories.

KEVIN WILCOX

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Cannock & Rugeley Chronicle Chronicle Editorial. 51-53 Queen Street

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Letters should be brief and MUST include name, address and telephone number number. The Editor reserves the right to condense letters.

On the road to losses

I THINK your headline "2m more use M6 Toll" is a bit misleading (Chronicle, September 29). It should read "Toll loses another £18.5 million". This is when there are major loses another £16.5 million . This is when there are major roadworks on the M6. When the M6 gets upgraded, the traffic on the toll road should reduce, meaning less income. I wonder why the toll road is looking for a buyer? Anyone fancy a nice little earner? Err, maybe not.

MR S COWLEY
Chasetown

WE are organising a 40-year reunion in 2017 for pupils who attended TP Ri-ley School in Bloxwich from 1972 to 1977.

We believe a lot of former

pupils live in the Cannock ea now, so if you attended area now, so it you attended during these dates (or know someone who did) and would like more info, please call or text 07827 760360. Please note that this event is for 1977 leavers

only.
JULIE JARVIS

Researching the Great War

ALDRIDGE Great War Project is a voluntary community group which is researching men and women who lived, or were born, in Aldridge and served in the First World War or worked in a military hospital there. Please email aldridgegwp @outlook.com or write to us at 270 Walsall Wood Road, Aldridge, WS9 SHB.

KAREN ROSS
Aldridge Great War Project

* All our towns The answer to smelly bins is really simple Calling old Get the measure of county's road signs

DRIVERS in Staffordshire may be concerned to learn that

The county council has a low opinion of their ability to dis-tinguish between metric and imperial measures.

When asked why it does not state imperial as well as met-ric in public notices the leader of the council, Philip Atkins, repeating what he had been told by the director of strategy,

governance and change, said it would not be helpful.

Apparently, the notices should contain no ambiguity or extraneous information and should be kept as simple and clear as possible. Fine. However, Mr Atkins (and the director) may wish to check how many accidents have resulted from confusion because of the mixture of metric and imperial signs specifying the height of low bridges.

MR E STONES

Pensioners don't deserve this misplaced criticism

APPARENTLY we pensioners are doing too well. We are told we are living the life of Riley while the young are

told we are living the life of Riley while the young are struggling to live.

Without going into too much detail, when we were young we had none of the things that youngsters have to today. An old man once said to me there is a difference between your wants and your needs – the problem is today this does

your wants and your needs - the problem is today this does not apply. The word expects comes to mind.

Pensioners make a large contribution to society. They are careers, childminders and charity workers, which they do for love. Get off our backs. We have worked hard for the little we have.

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Helping hands clear up rubbish at beauty spot

transformed after two skips worth of dumped rubbish were cleaned with the help of volunteers.

Polystyrene housing insulation. concrete blocks, car tyres, met-al fencing, chairs and litter were left strewn on the site, between Burntwood and Brownhills.

Council workers, who believe the mess was created by youths in the area stealing from a local building site, have

steaming rom a local building site, have reported the incident to the police.

The clear-up took two rangers from Staffordshire County Council and members from the Norton Bog volunteer group hours to clean up, filling 60 black bin bags, five builder bags and two skins.

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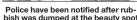
The group usually goes out on a Sunday morning in a conservation capacity as more than three quarters of the Chasewater site is classified as a Site of Special Scientific Interest.

Shelia Harding, Norton Canes Parish Councillor, said: "Unfortunately we do get instances like this occasionally and it does set us back.

"It does upset you to see people not care about leaving a mess. The volunteers work very hard."

County Councillor Gill Heath said: "I am appalled at the amount of rubbish that was dumped at Chasewater. "The rangers spent hours clearing the mess to ensure the park remains safe and pleasant for the many people that enjoy Chasewater on a daily basis. "It's disappointing when a thoughtless minority seek to spoil this enjoyment, but thanks to our rangers, the rubbish was removed quickly and the area made safe."







Businesses can play it safe

are being offered an opportunity to shape policing in their area. Staffordshire Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis is inviting business people from the county to join their local Safer Neighbourhood

Panel.
The panels help to hold police teams to account and look at community

Application forms are available for people who are interested in joining a

panel, including those who work in the

business or the voluntary sectors.

Mr Ellis said: "This is a real opportunity for business people to play a part in holding those responsible for policing in their area to account, and I'd urge them to get involved. I make no apology for believing that truly local policing, and the public playing a part in influencing that, is vital."

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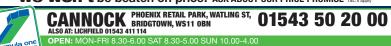
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Restaurant's anniversary celebrations are hot stuff



Milestone - Saleem Bagh owner Angur Miah and some of his staff mark the Cannock restaurant's silver anniversary

THINGS are hotting up for an Indian restaurant which marked its opening 25 years ago by bringing a live ele-

ago by bringing a live ele-phant to Cannock.

The opening of Saleem Bagh in 1991 was an extravagant affair which brought the town to a standstill, as the chairman of Cannock Chase Council at the time, Roy Bagguley, rode in on the elephant. Since then it has attracted a host of awards.

Now the owners are marking the

Now, the owners are marking the silver anniversary of the Queens Square restaurant with a string of cel-

ebrations involving bhangra dancers and live music. The first celebration event took place this month, with another party organised for October 21.

The restaurant will run its third event on October 28 when it hosts Staffordshire's Hottest Curry Evening.
Owner Angur Minh, who has run the restaurant since its opening, said:

"We like to elebrate a percentic and

"We like to celebrate properly, as we did with our opening."

The restaurant still employs the same chef who started his journey with Saleem Bagh all those years ago—Taymus Ali, who specialises in a ninecourse banquet.



Roy Bagguley on the elephant, 1991

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Drone's eye view of town at night



Cannock by night is captured in Steve Martin's photograph on Old photos from Hednesford, Chadsmoor and Cannock

THIS stunning image of Cannock town centre from the sky at night-time was captured by a reader.

Steve Martin took the photograph using a drone high above the town when the shops were shut and the roads were silent.

roads were silent. Street lights of Ringway light up the

In the bottom right, the Chronicle's office sits quietly above a dimly lit Price Street.

The image pictured was posted to Facebook page Old photos from Hednesford, Chadsmoor and Cannock on

Sunday. Mr Martin said: "The pictures where

"Members are spread around the globe and they enjoy reminiscing about the area and seeing the changes that have occurred over the years," he

I think that aerial photos are great way to see large areas of our towns and the surrounding region."



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Cast members Steve Morris, Seamus McMahon and Roger Butters in The true story of the Trial of Sarah Westwood

A THEATRE group is reconstructing the trial of Sarah Westwood from Burntwood – the last woman to be handed the death sentence in Stafford.

handed the death sentence in Stafford.
Westwood was hanged in 1844 and,
more than 170 years later, Creative
Arts Theatre is reconstructing the
trial in the very court where the original hearing took place.
The true story of the Trial of Saran
Westwood will be performed in The
Shire Hall Gallery No1 Court today
(Thursday) and tomorrow.
Westwood was sentenced to death
after being found guilty of killing her
husband John by putting arsenic in his

evening meal of gruel, bread and meat on November 9, 1843.

Her actions came after she was believed to have been having an affair with lodger Samuel Phillips.

Ken Tillett, who plays Sergeant Yardley of the defence counsel, said: "Sarah Westwood was the last woman to be hanged in Stafford – the court that we're doing it in is the very court that she was tried in in 1843.

"Even the dialogue in the play is the same dialogue from the court case.

"As a matter of interest, we have had descendants from the family of Sarah Westwood from all those years

ago come forward to buy tickets and they're coming to watch the production. The whole thing has been super because it's living history and the case actually took place. What we are saying was actually said."

Westwood was executed by George Smith, Stafford's hangman, on Janu-ary 13, 1844. Her last words were re-ported as: "It's hard to die for a thing one's innocent of."

Tickets for the production are from £6.50 for standard seating, £8 in the well of the court and £9 in the jury seats. To book, go to the Shire Hall Gallery reception or call 01785 278345.



Dates set for budget consultation meetings

has announced the dates for its public consultation meetings being held this month.

These sessions aim to seek the opinions and views of residents, businesses and community groups on the future of council services.

It follows the announcement that the council faces a funding deficit that peaks at £2.15 million in 2018-19 and the launch of the council's financial recovery plan.

Council officers and

elected members will be in attendance at the meetings to dis-cuss the authority's position, the proposed position, the proposed options and suggestions from the public.

Feedback via the budget survey will also be available. The dates of the

budget survey will also be available. The dates of the meetings are as follows:
October 18, 6.30pm – Mansfield House, 40 Market Street, Rugeley
October 19, midday – Ballroom, Cannock Chase Council Offices

October 20, 6.30pm – Ballroom, Cannock Chase Council Offices October 25, 6.30pm – The Aquarius,

Hednesford

The financial recovery plan provides the background information and potential savings options that council officers have identified.

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The savings options total £2.1m per annum and are in excess of the £1.6m minimum saving requirement. This means that a meaningful consultation can take place on the options to achieve a saving of £1.6m.

An animated video has also been

produced to inform residents of the situation. This can be viewed at www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/council/financial-information



The six-week consultation asks for opinions on options to incre

The six-week consultation asks for opinions on options to increase in-come, reduce services and explore fur-ther shared services with other local authorities.

The survey can also be completed via the council's website, in person or on paper. Closing date for responses is November 6, after which the results of this consultation will feed into a draft budget for consultation in December,

to be implemented from April 2017. Councillor George Adamson, leader of the council said: "The council is fac-ing the most difficult financial position

ever.

"This is despite achieving £4.2m savings in recent years from partnerships with Stafford Borough Council, Wigan Leisure and Culture Trust and reductions in management and administration costs. The complete removal istration costs. The complete removal of government grant funding by 2019, the loss of business rates from the closure of Rugeley Power Station and the probable loss of £400,000 from the New Homes Bonus scheme combined, means that the council now has to make some difficult decisions to bal-ance the books from the next financial

"I am determined that this process "I am determined that this process will be open, transparent and a genuine consultation on which options the council should select. I encourage everybody to get involved in this consultation and let us know your views. "It will give local people the chance to have their say in the future of Cannock Chase and the district council and these public meetings are a vital part of this process."

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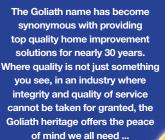
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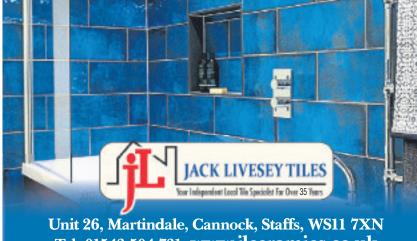
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Peter Carroll before the head shave at City Plumbing



Stephen Silvester played a part in the fundraising



A CANNOCK firm says it exceeded all expectations by raising more than £1,900 for the Teenage Cancer Trust. City Plumbing staged an open day at its Eastern Way headquarters, with two employees, Peter Carroll and Stephen Silvester, undergoing a close shave along with other fundraising activities.

Around 40 customers, family and

friends witnessed the main event, the head shave, and organiser Stuart Chapman said he was pleased with how the day went.

"We had a steady footfall through-out the day with many customers choosing to take part in the fundrais-ing events," he added. "The favourite was the wet-sponge throwing at staff in the stocks. This

quickly escalated into throwing buckets of water rather than sponges.

"The day has raised over £1,900 to date which surpassed our original ex-

pectations."
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Abuse victims deserve better support — chief

Official launch for antlers



Project manager Dave Lucas proudly stands under the rehung antlers on the railway bridge in Rugeley

adorned the railway bridge at the end of Horse Fair have finally been

installed.

"After being restored and sporting two new lanterns, they have been rehung where they belong," project manager Dave Lucas said.

The town was gifted the antlers in the 19th Century by the railway company, and were later converted from being was powered to 'the new from being gas powered to 'the new

electricity'.

They were removed in about

A REINSTATED Rugeley landmark will be officially unveiled this weekend following painstaking research. Having been missing for many years, the 'antlers' that had sound people out, and as most peo-

"I started a poll on Facebook to sound people out, and as most people wanted to see the antlers back in Rugeley, I decided to start a project to get them rehung on the bridge," he added.

Now, there is to be a service of dedication conducted by Fr David Evans on Saturday, October 15, at 11am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information about the

For more information about the project, look for 'Rugeley's Historic Antlers' on Facebook or email rugeleyshistoricantlers@sky.com

VICTIMS of domestic abuse in Staffordshire deserve better, and consistent, support that they are currently getting, according to the county's police and crime commissioner Matthew Ellis.

Closer co-operation between councils and other agencies is needed to make sure people affected by domestic abuse receive a consistent and quality service, no matter where they live in the county, he said.

Mr Ellis was speaking after he opened a

multi-agency conference in Stafford mark-ing the final stages of work towards a new approach to domestic abuse support ser-vices across the county.

The idea of more effective and more for-malised joint working between agencies was set out by Mr Ellis in his Safer, Fairer,

United Communities Strategy in 2014.
He said he believed the work by agencies to reach this point in domestic abuse services could be the most important so far.

Goals

The new approach involves clearly aligned goals and bringing together all budgets to reduce administrative costs and spend more of the available money on the

spend more of the available money on unsupport services themselves.

The PCC is providing £1.5 million of funding over the next three years. Staffordshire County Council is providing £1.8m over three years towards the delivery of the new policy, while Stoke-on-Trent City Council will provide just over £1.5m over three years.

Gill Heath, cabinet member for communities at Staffordshire County Council, said: "Domestic abuse is a terrible crime and tackling it continues to be a top priand tacking it continues to be a top pri-ority. We recognise the significant impact it has on not only victims but their wider families. This new way of working will see us working much more closely with our partners to provide a better, more consist-ent approach to tackling the issue and sup-rorting victims." porting victims

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FROM Scotland to Dudley, and Cornwall to Cannock Chase - an exhibition based on the places that a woman has visited is being showcased in Staffordshire.

Jean Walker's Sightseeing exhibition featuring 27 oil paintings from her collection is on show at the Museum of Cannock Chase.

The 68-year-old, who lives in Can-nock, has held a number of exhibitions at the museum and is delighted with

at the museum and is designed with the reception she has received so far. Jean said: "The exhibition is called Sightseeing and is based on places that I've been to. I've had a few exhibitions at the Museum of Cannock Chase and usually have one there every four

years. They are all oil paintings.

"I've been painting for the last 20 years. It takes me out of the everyday of mundane life and it allows you to travel anywhere and daydream. It's very therapeutic.

Remember

"I've been working on this current collection for about two years, and to read all the positive comments in the guest book is brilliant."

She has also had a number of paintings on show at Walsall Manor Hospital, where she sells them and donates 20 per cent of the takings to support 20 per cent of the takings to support the services there. Jean, who works from home in her studio, added: "I've always been into art ever since as far as I can remember. I used to sketch pictures from the Express & Star when I was a little kid," she said. "But then you get married and have a family and don't have the time. But

when my kids left home I had more time to paint.
"It can still sometimes be difficult

to fit it in because I've got two grand-daughters. But I do it when I can." The exhibition runs until tomorrow.



Cannock artist Jean Walker with a view of North Yorkshire



An alert stag on Cannock Chase



The Mary Rose in choppy seas, one of the paintings on show at the museum

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sacre'.
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This was not only about the famous factory in the village, Armitage Shanks. She talked about the pres-ence of clay in the vicinity and that it was recorded and that it was recorded that clay pipes were made at Armitage. There were also a number of small brickworks in the village. A small portery company was in existence by 1817 and by 1851 this had begun to produce sanitary ware.

In 1867 Edward Johns, a congregational minister from Armitage, bought the business and founded the Edward Johns and Co Sani-

Edward Johns and Co Sani-Edward Johns and Co Sant-tary Pottery, later to become Armitage Ware, the interna-tionally renowned company. As many will know this is why the toilet is known as the "John" in America.

the "John" in America.
Armitage Park, a mid
18th century house built for
Nathanial Lister in 1839,
was purchased by the widow
of Josiah Spode III who lived
there with her son Josiah IV
who converted to Catholi-

cism.

On his death he left the house to the Dominican Order who built a a chapel and priory, they named it Hawksyard Priory. The house was used as a school and was known as Spode House. Spode put a window in the church as a dedication to his mother.

The talk inspired lots of discussion with local mem-

discussion with local members chatting about their own reminiscences of Armitage and Handsacre.

Fascinating life and times of Evita told

Hint at local link to

MEMBERS were both en-tertained and moved by Barry Picken and his talk entitled 'Red Flowers and

entitled 'Red Flowers and a Bag of Bones'.
Barry told how everyone came to wear poppies on Armistice Day and members were fascinated to learn that it all started with a woman named Moina Michael at the New York YMCA conference in 1918. Moina campaigned for the poppy to be recognitive. for the poppy to be recog-nised as a symbol of the end of the Great War and the idea began to spread around all the major coun-

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minster Abbey. The idea for the grave started with Reverend David Railton who felt there was a need to commemorate all the lives lost and unidentified on the battlefield.

Four bodies were originally exhumed from dif-ferent French battlefields and the Unknown Warrior was selected from among these. His body, along with soil from France and Belgium was buried at Westminster Abbey on 11

around all the major countries of the Idea of the UK.

Many were surprised to learn that the UK was one of the last countries to adopt the symbol, in 1923. In the Great War and The second part of Barry's talk covered the story of the grave of the Unpossible that he originated known Warrior at West-

Chase Terrace Ladies Club

HAZEL Griffiths gave a talk at the September 22 on the life and times of Eva Peron.

She said even her date of birth was a bit of a mystery as the birth certificate she presented at her marriage had a different date to the one that can be sourced in the archives.

As she was illegitimate it is thought she was trying to hide this by pretending that her father had died when she was young.

young. She

was born on May 7 1919 as Maria Eva Duart into a family of three other siblings and was the second wife of Ar-

gentine president Juan Peron.
She served as the first lady
of Argentina from 1946 until
her death in 1952 at just 33
from cervical cancer and was

affectionately known as Evita.

She made her last public appearance in June 1952 at her husband's second inauguration. She was given a funeral fit for a head of state.

Her life has continued to fascinate people and was made in to a musical by Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber in 1979. Madonna took the lead role in a successful film version.

Speaker proves life is funny

PRESIDENT Margaret Beddard welcomed Shareshill WI members and visitors Val and Pam and it was lovely to see Em Barker back after re-covering from her broken ankle.

Since the July meeting, 11 members enjoyed a performance of Shakespeare's As You Like It at Wightwick Manor.

August also saw 48 members and friends

followed by an excellent meal at The Grey-hound at Burston. Speaker Pat Hall, from Derbyshire, proved 'Life is Funny' with her humorous tales of life in the hamlet of Stanton with its Grade 2 listed bus shelter and two buses a week into Ashbourne.

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Youngsters urged to try for canal angling title

YOUNG people are being encouraged to pit their wits in a competition in Penk-ridge aimed at attracting a new genera-tion of anglers onto the nation's canals.

The National Junior Canal Champi-

The National Junior Canal Championship is organised by the charity that cares for 2,000 miles of the nation's historic waterways – the Canal & River Trust – and the Angling Trust.

The competition is open to anyone aged between 10 and 16 with the winner taking home the top trophy and being crowned national champion.

The match is taking place on October 29 on the Staffordshire & Worcester Canal where youngsters will be able to gain inspiration from some of the best anglers in the country as the National Canal Pairs Championship is also taking

anglers in the country as the National Canal Pairs Championship is also taking place on the canal on the same day. John Ellis, national fisheries and angling manager for the Canal & River Trust, said: "This is the third year that we've run the Junior Championship, and the two previous events have been very successful.

Needed

"With some of the country's best senwith solide to the country's best sepa-ior anglers also competing on that day, it's a brilliant opportunity for young people to pick up some tips, show us what they can do and maybe even walk away as the National Junior Canal An-gling Champion."

David Kent, national chair of compe-

David Kent, national chair of competitions at the Angling Trust, said; "It is vital that we all do whatever is needed to get more young people fishing. "There are certainly not enough competitions yet catering for young aspiring match anglers, and this event takes us that one step closer."

The championship is free to enter with 50 spaces available. The closing date for entries is Friday, October 21. For more information contact the Angling Trust at corina.smith@anglingtrust.net or sandra.johnson@anglingtrust.net sandra.johnson@anglingtrust.net

Work starts on reviving beauty spot



Work begins at the Long Acres site near Hednesford Hills

WORK to breathe new life into a former beauty spot beauty spot. But with work now under way to bring

tarnished by rubble and debris has begun.
Cannock Chase Council's countryside services team is days into a project that will see the Long Acres site near Hednesford Hills transformed.

In years gone by, the site had been an open heath, with heather and an environment suitable for rare species. However, it was then covered in imported soil and building rubble, destroying its potential as a

The project has been supported by Cannock business J Murphy and Sons, who have supplied an excavator and operator. The project should take around two years to complete.

underlying sand back to the surface, natural plants will be able to grow again. Councillor Paul Wood-head, who represents Hednesford South, said the work is a 'really positive' move for the area.

making lucrative bets on the stock market by fraud-sters, policy say.

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Conmen are typically targeting people through social media sites and apps, promising guaranteed returns on their investments.

But the Binary Options Fraud, as it is referred to by authorities, is essentially the unregulated betting on financial markets as they rise and fall.

It could involve gambling on a company's stock price, the value of a currency or the value of commodities such as oil or gold, as to whether they will go up or down within a certain time-frame.

There are two outcomes – to win cash or nothing

- which is why it is being referred to as a 'binary' fraud. At present, it is not regulated as an investment in the UK.

Staffordshire Police have confirmed that people in the county have fallen victim to fraudsters offering them guaranteed returns.

Police spokesman Ash Connor said: "Several residents have suffered at the hands of this fraud across Staffordshire, and all reported victims have been

Staffordshire, and all reported victims have been aged 50-plus."

aged 30-plus. Action Fraud has received more than 1,500 reports of this type of scam. The average lost by a victim s £20,000. In total it is estimated more than £30 million has been lost at Binary Options fraudsters.



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Chief paves way for toll road to be nationalised

TRANSPORT Secretary Chris Grayling has paved the way for the M6 Toll to be nationalised, saying he was not 'philosophically op-

posed' to the idea. He said that if the West Midlands Combined Authority wanted to buy the motorway, it could, but said there may be other infrastructure priorities. It cames as South Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson repeated calls for the road to be taken into public

repeated calls for the roa ownership.

Mr Grayling said: "I have no philosophical objection to the combined authority to purchase the road.

"We have to bear in mind, at a time when taxpayers' money is in short supply and we want to invest in in-frastructure, are we better off spending the money on taking over something that taking over something that

is already there or investing in a new project?

"The M6 Toll is an asset to the region, and I understand why people want to buy it, but there are other people for infrastruture in needs for infrastructure in the West Midlands too," he

Congestion

The M6 Toll has been put

up for sale by its owners with a reported price tag in excess of £1 billion.

Leaders from the West Midlands Combined Authority have already mooted the

idea of taking over the toll road to alleviate congestion on the M6.

Mr Williamson, prior to his appointment as Chief Whip, said he had conversations with ministers to see if the said and the said to said the said the said to said the said to said the said to said the said th the road could be taken into

the road could be taken into public hands.
He said: "A new approach has to be taken to the M6 Toll which encourages people to use it.
"This would involve making it accessible and cheaper for people to use, which would provide a great benefit and significantly alleviate congestion on the M6 and



The M6 Toll has been put up for sale by its own

access onto the M5." The 27access onto the Mb." The 27-mile M6 Toll, from Cannock to Coleshill, is Britain's first pay-to-drive motorway. It costs £5.50 for cars and up to £11 for lorries.

A debt-restructuring process led to a consortium of

A debt-restricturing pro-cess led to a consortium of 27 banks effectively taking ownership of the loss-mak-ing road from Midlands Expressway Ltd. It is now selling its equity stake.

Earlier this month it was revealed roadworks on the M6 have helped boost takings on the M6 Toll by more than £10 million and saw an extra two million customers.

In the short term the work meant a total of 17.4 million customers used the paid-for motorway during 2015 – up from 15.4 million the year before.











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Gold delight at school's award for PE lessons

REDHILL Primary School in Chadsmoor has achieved the Sainsbury's School Games Mark Gold Award for its dedication to physical education.

dedication to physical education.
The award was given following a thorough assessment of the school's provision against a series of requirements by Cannock and Rugeley school games organiser Anthony Bunn.
The award is a government-led scheme to promote school sport following the funding given to all schools under the Sports Premium Initiative and is now an Ofsted requirement.
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Meanwhile, a special group of Year 5
and 6 pupils have been trained as Sports
Ambassadors to lead smaller groups of
younger children, to ensure they are active at playtimes and lunchtimes.
Following a successful application to
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Awards for All, Redhill was recently awarded £10,000.
Other sports involvement at Redhill has included The Soccer Star Challenge in which each pupil in the school took it in turns to take up to five penalties into a special inflatable goal which uses a sensor to measure the speed of the shot. Away from sport, Year 6 pupils from Redhill learned about being safer citizens by spending a day at the Safeside Centre in Nechells, Birmingham.
The Safeside complex is staffed entirely by voluntheers and funded by the West Midlands emergency services.
Year 6 pupils at the school were visited by representatives from Staffordshire's to help them learn about challenging prejudice on Thursday. Finally, pupils, parents and staff from Redhill enjoyed an evening at Wembley on Saturday to watch the football match between England and Malta.
Everyone then joined in the national anthems before taking their seats which, While it may not have been England's greatest performance Redhill's seats were in a perfect position to see both #oals at Close range.

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Launch of new housing provider



Sarah Boden, centre, and the new executive team, left, Jan Goode, Peter Donovan, Steve Collins and Les Clarke

A NEW housing provider pledging to build homes for communities in Staffordshire and Shropshire has been officially launched.

Housing Plus Group, formed by a merger between Severnside Housing in Shropshire and South Staf-fordshire-based Housing Plus, will employ around 600 people locally and have a turnover of more than £60 million. The group, which also includes Care

Plus, Severn Homes, AWE and Property Plus, has 25,000 customers and owns 12,000 properties.

Chief executive Sarah Boden said: "The need for

Content executive Saran Boueri said: The need in obusing has never been greater. Our challenge is to provide the homes our communities need."

The Group will continue to deliver landlord services and property repairs locally, from their operational centres in South Staffordshire and Shropshire.

CANNOCK Chase Council is to be a partner of The Staffordshire Business Festival, organised by the county's Chambers of Commerce.

The two-week festival will include more than 60 The two-week restival will include more than ou events across the county and runs from November 7 to 18 with the aim to 'facilitate better engagement between companies, organisations and business communities across Staffordshire'.

Cannock Chase Council is holding two free events desirable forticely.

during the festival.

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Pastries, Prospects and Patter at The Moathouse in Acton Trussell on November 8 is dedicated to supporting business growth in Cannock Chase and South Staffordshire.

It will be a chance for businesses to discover all

new contacts.

The second is an event at the Cannock Chase En-

terprise Centre on November 18 called Looking to Start a Business

Start a Business.
Councillor Gordon Alcott, economic development and planning portfolio leader, said "We are proud to be involved in the Staffordshire Business Festival 2016. During the festival we are hosting two events; our headline event at The Moathouse will include

our headmine event as The Modariouse will include guest speaker, author Dale Stafford.

"All of these events are free and a great networking opportunity for local businesses." For information on the events visit staffordshirebusinessfestival. co.uk/events-and-bookings

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Guildhall over the next few weeks.

October 14-16 will see the return of L2F – the Lichfield festival of Folk – which is now in its fourth year.

On Sunday, October 23, there will be music from three acclaimed local acts. Well-regarded local performer Tom Woodman will take to the stage with his usual experimental sound-scapes. The evening will feature The Mourning Suns and Robert Jackson.

The month closes with a bang on Sunday, October 30 with the internationally renowned Ben Poole Sand

renowned Ben Poole Band whose fans include Jeff Beck and Richie Kotzen. Tickets and details for all events are available at www.

lichfieldarts.org.uk or the box office on 01543 262223.

Music fans are in for a Get free jab before flu takes hold

gearing up for win-ter – and people in 'at risk' groups are be-ing reminded to book their free flu jab.

their free flu jab.
Adults over 65, those with long-term health conditions, children aged two to seven, carers and pregnant women may all be eligible.
Every year, hundreds of thousands of people see their GP, and tens of thousands are hospitalised, because of flu.
Symptoms of flu can be debilitating and last for several weeks. It can lead to more serious complications like middle-ear infections in children and pneumonia or bronchitis for those with underlying health conditions derlying health conditions -

fatal.
Speaking on behalf of
Cannock Chase, Stafford
and Surrounds and South
East Staffordshire and
Seisdon Peninsula Clinical Seisdon Peninsula Clinical Commissioning Groups, Dr John James, chair of South East Staffordshire and Seis-don Peninsula CCG, said: "Flu is a highly contagious illness that spreads rapidly through the population. "This year, more children

"This year, more children are being vaccinated because we know that they can very easily pick up germs and spread them.
"My advice for anyone eligible for the free flu vaccination is to get it early before flu starts to circulate in the community." For details visit www.nhs.uk/staywell

Plea to join register of cell donors

CANNOCK Chase Round Table is urging young men aged 16 to 30 to join the An-thony Nolan stem cell donor

thony Nolan stem cell donor register.

The scheme matches individuals willing to donate their blood stem cells or bone marrow to people with blood cancer and blood disorders who desperately need lifesaving transplants.

In 1986, Round Table clubs across the UK and Ireland were instrumental in

land were instrumental in adding 100,000 new names to the Anthony Nolan regis-ter and 30 years on, Round Table clubs are teaming up with the Anthony Nolan charity again, this time tar-

enanty again, this time targeting young men.

Ann O'Leary, head of register development, said:
"Our original collaboration with Round Table added a

with Round Table added a huge number of potential donors to the register.

"This time around we want to reach young men in particular, and we look forward to seeing how the campaign takes off in the Cannock Chase area."



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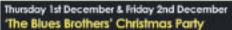
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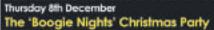
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HS2 will free up space on motorways says Grayling

on the Midlands' congested motorways, the Transport

Secretary has said.
Chris Grayling said the £55.7
billion project would create extra capacity for freight trains on the existing rail line, meaning that thousands of lorries could be tak-

en off the region's roads.

He said train services from the Black
Country to the rest of the region would also improve after the high-speed line was built.

He said: "One of the benefits that He said: "One of the benefits that HS2 brings is to take trains off the West Coast Main Line to create more space for freight which will get more lorries off the road.

"If you are a regular user of the motorways in the West Midlands you definitely want to see fewer lorries on the roads and more freight on the railway.

Stations

"It's things like that which will bring benefits across the whole West Midlands. If you live in the Black Country, you want a prosperous West Midlands, and a project like HS2 will bring greater prosperity across the region – so if you live in the Black Country, you are still benefitting from HS2."

HS2."

HS2, which will have new stations at Curzon Street near Birmingham city centre and at Birmingham Airport, will see journey times to London and Manchester from the second city slashed to 40 and 50 minutes respectively.

Mr Grayling added: "A lot of the focus on HS2 is about the savings in journey time from Leeds to London, or

Manchester to London, but HS2 is a Birmingham project. "Yes it gives Birmingham a quicker route into London but what it does is free up the railway lines across the



Transport Secretary Chris Grayling at the Birmingham site of the National College of High Speed Rail to see how construction work in progressing

West Midlands, for example the line to Coventry and Rugby. We have all been sat on Pendolinos behind slower local

"What HS2 will do is get those ex-

"What HS2 will do is get those express trains off and creating more space on the West Midlands rail network, which will make a real difference for national and local journeys. "And we also have connectivity times to Leeds, Manchester, and Sheffield from Birmingham, and that will really help Birmingham link up with the north."

HS2 will get through 45 miles of

Staffordshire countryside and has been met by fierce opposition in the county with campaigners saying it will do 'irreversible damage'."

Mr Gravling also hinted that there would be no major announcement re-garding Birmingham Airport in the Heathrow-Gatwick dispute over a new runway, but said it played an impor-

tant part in the economy.

He said: "Birmingham Airport is led from Birmingham, and that will eally help Birmingham link up with en orth."

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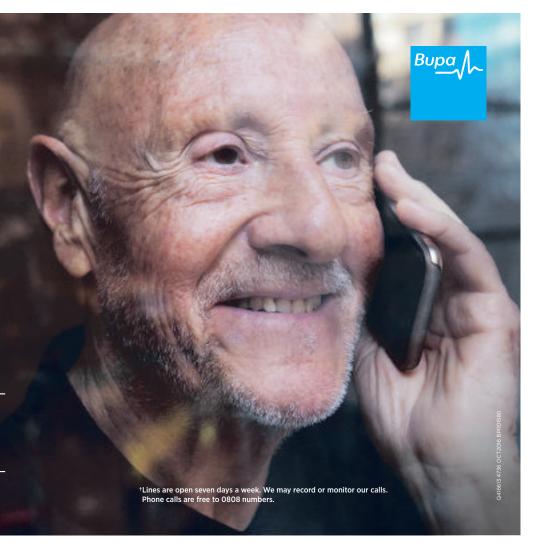
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Voluntary group picks up the Queen's Award

nity Engagement Support Services (CESS) has been presented with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service.
The presentation was made by

The presentation was made by the Queen's representative for Staffordshire, Vice Lord-Lieutenant Graham Stow CBE.

CESS was one of nine organisations across the county to receive this award which is presented to voluntary groups who regularly devote their time to helping in the community to improve the quality of life for others. In less than five years, the charity has developed programmes to befriend the elderly and vulnerable, and offers a confidential signposting service to residents in the Rugeley, Brereton and Chase communities.

Achievements

It also works with youngsters in local primary schools on Christmas and summer activities, help[s to run crime prevention workshops, and has established a successful weekly youth club for young people with learning difficulties.

In recognition of these achieve-ments a gala event was hosted at the Rose Theatre, Rugeley, attended by the Vice Lord-Lieutenant, the High Sheriff of the county, and the chair of Staffordshire County Council, among

others.

CESS has ambitious plans for the next five years but needs more volunteers to join the team.

Details and information can be obtained by contacting key worker Kitty Leech on 01889 358402 or 07734 596693 or by visiting Facebook.



CESS key worker Kitty Leech cuts the celebration cake with the help of CESS chair Councillor Dave Hancock, the Vice Lord-Lieutenant, Mr Graham Stow, right, watched by his wife and the High Sheriff of Staffordshire Colonel David Leigh

Lions join celebrations

RUGELEY & District Lions Club made a donation to the Cannock Chase District Scout Association as it celebrated 100 years of Scouting. About 600 Scouts, Beavers and Cubs attended a camp at Shugbor-ough where Lions members helped to run a "milkshake stall"

to run a 'milkshake stall'.

Later, three members of the Lions

Club attended a dinner dance at Tillington Hall, Stafford, where they presented a cheque for £1,175 to the Staffordshire Search and Rescue Team to help with the purchase of essential equipment.

The cash came from proceeds from the Duck Race and Lion Hunt jointly man by what clubs.

run by both clubs.





Hairy Bikers will be in the Supertheatre

COMPETITION

Tuck in ready for the festive food season

THE flagship BBC Good Food Show returns to the Birmingham's NEC next month to set visitors up for the perfect festive, foodie season

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Record numbers on the run for hospice

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Around 780 people took part in the Katharine House Hospice 10k and 5k runs through the heritage site on Sunday. They were treated to glorinous sunshine as they made their way around the grounds while scores of

Council wants 150 affordable homes to tackle shortage

Fears as warden loses job



David Giles, of Cheslyn Hay, is concerned that Alan Marston has to go

"IF I'm not there, there will be an accident". These are the words of a school lollipop man who has been axed from his job under council

Brewood Middle School will lose its crossing patrol man Alan Mar-ston tomorrow (Friday) after the position fell victim to Staffordshire County Council cuts in the summer.

The council is also axing 24 other school crossing patrols too.

David Giles, whose 11-year-old son Oliver attends the school, said: "It is a free for all at 3.15pm/3.30pm when the kids come out. Somebody is going to get hurt." Mr Giles, from

Merrill Close, Cheslyn Hay, added: "I would like Alan to get his job back. He's a smashing guy.

"But my main concern is that I have a child crossing on that road."

Mr Marston, who has served at the crossing for eight years, said:
"If I am not there, there will be an accident and it will be down to the county council to sort out why.

county council to sort out why."

The school's headteacher David
Swift said: "Mr Marston has done
a very good job keeping children
outside our school safe during his
time with us and we are very sad to
see him go. We are also concerned
about the safety of our children."

secure 150 affordable homes in the Cannock Chase district in the next four years, to help tackle its housing crisis.

There are about 1,200 people on the waiting list for a home, while Cannock Chase Council has seen its own house-building plans scaled down due to changes in rent laws costing the authority £75 million over the next 30

years.

But the council has vowed to deliver 150 social properties by 2020, through the 106 Agreement procedure, which places an obligation on developers to allocate a certain proportion of their scheme to affordable housing.

housing.

Deputy leader Councillor Gordon Alcott said: "It is part of the planning laws now that councils are allowed to ask developers to provide affordable housing in their

schemes.
"It all depends on the amount of develop-

It all depends on the amount of develop-ment on the site but usually around 15 per cent is allocated for social housing. "That is the nationally agreed level be-tween local authorities and the building industry, although it maybe different in

External

"It means everyone has to cooperate to bring affordable homes forward," Council-lor Alcott added.

Recent changes by the Government which reduced the amount of rent counwhich reduced the amount of rent councils could charge for their housing meant Cannock Chase Council's plans to fund the building of 168 properties by 2018 had to be scaled down to 113.

Among the authority's other yows in its 2000 also are preparately to 64, 1301 points.

Among the authority's other vows in its 2020 plans are proposals to fit 1,201 existing council houses with double glazing as well as carry out other external improvement works to 950 properties.

Councillor Alcott said: "We were going to build a lot more houses ourselves but when the Government changed the rules, it meant we were not able to deliver on our critical place."

it meant we were not one to deriver on so-original plans.
"What we are doing at the moment is looking at a number of garage sites in the district which are run down. They have seen better days and are attracting vandals. People would rather park their cars on the

street.

"So we are looking at those as sites for housing going forward."

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Number of child Good Samaritan arrests drops by in £5k donation more than half for park repairs

THE number of children arrested in Staffordshire has fallen by 57 per cent over the last five years.

Figures released by the Howard League for Penal Reform show that during 2015, Staffordshire Police made 1 S08 arrests of how

2015, Staffordshire Police made 1,808 arrests of boys and girls aged 17 and under – down from 2010 when 4,163 arrests were made. Although the overall trend has seen a decrease in arrests, Staffordshire Police was one of 13 forces in England and Wales who recorded a rise in the number of arrests of boys and girls of arrests of boys and girls between 2014 and 2015. Bosses at the charity believe

there is still work to be done to reduce child arrests.
Frances Crook, chief exec-

utive of the Howard League. said: "I applaud the police for their success in reducing child arrests. It is a little disappointing that 13 forces, disappointing that 13 forces, including Staffordshire Police, have not maintained the momentum in the last year. We are looking forward to working with them to address this challenge."

Staffordshire Police spokesperson George Bailey said: "A priority is to ensure there are more methods and loossible resolutions to advossible resolutions to ad-

possible resolutions to address matters before they result in arrest."

AN anonymous donor has helped to raise half the funds needed to repair a play area in South Staffordshire after it was targeted by vandals.

Swan Park, in Hobnock

Road, Essington, was installed three years ago and was originally funded by residents after a committee was formed and successfully waired \$25,000 raised £25,000.

raised £25,000.

However, on the first day the park was opened, it suffered vandalism with yobs attempting to set it on fire.

A total of £6,000 of dam-

age was also caused at the park last October, when vandals ripped up the

safety foam surface in the children's play area and snapped off the belts and chains from the swings.

Now, a new committee has been formed to raise £5,000 to help repair the damage. It already has £5,000 after

It already has £5,000 after an anonymous business owner donated to the fund. Councillor David Clifft, chairman of the parish council, said: "Initially we thought we'd have to raise £10,000 to get the park back up to scratch, but thanks to an anonymous businessman. an anonymous businessman donating £5,000 to help us, we now only need to match that to make the repairs."



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Sun, O2 Academy Birmingham, B1 1DB. Call 0121 622 8250

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Bars and Melody

Mon, The Slade Rooms, Wolverhampton, WV1 1HP. Call 01902 552122

Mon, 7.30pm Glee Club Birmingham, Call 0871 472 0400

Amber Arcades

Tue, 7.30pm Hare & Hounds, Kings Heath, Birmingham, B14 7JZ. Call 0121 444 2081

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Huntingdon Hall, CrownGate Shopping Centre, Worcester, WR1 3LD. Call 01905 611427

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Town Hall Birmingham, B3 3DQ. Call 0121 780 3333

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FESTIVALS

Bostin' Days 2 Festival live @ Robin 2 Tonight - Sun, £30 All proceeds to Air Ambulance charities
The Robin 2, Bilston, WV14 7LJ.
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Amber

Arcades

Tuesday, 7.30pm Hare & Hounds, Kings Heath Following a summer of festivals Dutch singer-songwriter Annelotte De Graaf (AKA Amber Arcades) brings her beguiling electronic pop, as heard on debut Fading Lines, to the Brum pub. Visit hareandhoundskingsheath.co.uk

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Tomorrow, Free entry The Asylum, Birmingham, B19 3LS. Call 0121 233 1109

Legacy presents Louie Vega at The Rainbow Venues Tomorrow, The Rainbow Venues, Digbeth, Birmingham, B12 0LD.

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Jason Byrne is Propped Up Jason Byrne is Propped Up Tonight, William Aston Hall, Glyndr University, Wrexham, LL11 2AW. Call 01978 290666

Sun, £17.50 Town Hall Birmingham, B3 3DQ. Call 0121 780 3333

Josh Widdicombe: What Do I Do Now Tomorrow, Victoria Hall, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 3AD. Call 0844 871 7649

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Sun, Dudley Town Hall, DY1 1HP.

Ross Noble - Brain Dump

Hal Cruttenden: Straight Outta Cruttenden

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Saturday, 7pm Rainbow Warehouse, Digbeth

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Jimmy Osmond: Moon River and Me Tomorrow, £31.92 - £85.12 Malvern Theatres, WR14 3HB. Call 01684 892277

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Wed, New Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham, B5 4DS. Call 0844 871 3011

Psychic Sally: Call Me Psychic Thu, £27 The Palace Theatre, Redditch,

B98 8AE, Call 01527 65203

New Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham, B5 4DS. Call 0844 871 3011

Professor Brian Cox Live

Thu, Symphony Hall, Birmingham, B1 2EA Call 0121 780 3333

Check out full listings in the ticket in Friday's Express & Star

You better Beliebe Justin is back



Justin Bieber is coming to Brum after his latest album, Purpose, hit the number one spot in more than 100 countries

IT'S the biggest pop music event of the year for thousands of Justin Bieber fans when the young Canadian mega-star brings his Purpose World Tour to Birming-

ham for three concerts.

The Beliebers will be out in force with every night sold out, starting with his gigs at the Barclaycard

Arena in the city centre on Monday and Tuesday, followed next Monday, October 24, by his additional concert at the Genting Arena at the NEC. And it will mark the pop phenome-non's second, third and fourth gigs in

the region after being one of the head-liners at the summer's V Festival.

His latest album, Purpose, hit the number one spot in more than 100 countries and is shattering records worldwide, including having 17 songs

in the Billboard Hot 100 in one week. in the Billboard Hot 100 in one week. He also established a new Spotify re-cord for global streaming with more than 200 million fans streaming Pur-pose, his sixth album. The 22-year-old singer and song-

The 22-year-old singer and song-writer from Ontario also became the first artist, since Elvis Presley, to replace his own song as number one on the UK singles chart when Love Yourself replaced Sorry at the top of the chart.



Dickens of a great story

WELSH actor Jacob Ifan (pictured left), best known for his role as Jake Vickers in the BBC police drama series Cuffs, is to make his professional theatrical debut in a new adaptation of Charles Dickens' A Tale of Two Cities, at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre from Wednesday to Saturday (October 19-22). Joining Jacob is Joseph Timms, whose credits include Twelfth Night and Richard III (Donmar on Broadway). Shanaya Rafaat, who has appeared in Great Expectations at West Yorkshire Playhouse and King Lear at Shakespeare's Globe will also be in the cast along with National Theatre actor Sue Wallace and Royal Shakespeare Company actor Patrick Romle.

actor Sue Wallace and Royal Shakespeare Company actor Patrick Rome.

Dickens considered his novel, A Tale of Two Cities, the best story he had written, interweaving one family's personal drama with the terror of the French Revolution. It is an epic story of love, sacrifice and redemption.

This play version was first staged in Northampton in 2014, to great acclaim, and was director James Dacre's inaugural production at the theatre. It was adapted by Mike Poulton, who also adapted Wolf Hall for the RSC, and has an original score by Oscar-winning composer Rachel Portman.

Dacre said: "Our decision along with Jenny King, producer of The Touring Consortium, to revisit the production during this year of elections, referendums and revolutions across the world is motivated by a shared belief that great historical dramas can play an important role in contemporary political conversations."

Civic ready to Blast Off at venue again

LEGENDARY Wolverhampton club night Blast Off! will return

club night Blast Off! will return for two nights before the end of the year.

On Saturday the indie night will celebrate 20 years since it was first staged and a Christmas party is planned for December 17, both at the Civic Hall.

This weekend's anniversary

This weekend's anniversary event will also give folks an early view of the new-look Civic as the famous venue nears completion of its £14 million revamp.

Originally planned to re-open with The Specials on November 11, the Civic will now be open throughout October, hosting the Magic of Motown on October 23, before work resumes in January.

Bostin' festival goes indoors at Robin 2

BOSTIN' Days was a Levellers tribute album featuring more than 30 artists to raise money for Devon Air Ambulance and in October 2015 the Bostin' Days Live Festival took place in Nuneaton where 20 of the acts

Nuneaton where 20 of the acts played on two stages.

In 2016 Bostin' Days 2 comes to Bilston's Robin 2 venue over Friday and Saturday (October 14 and 15) to bring the festival atmosphere without the need for waterwoofs and wellies atmosphere without the need for waterproofs and wellies. Tomorrow night has Ferocious Dog, Black Tar Rivers Boozy Big Band and Star Botherer. On Saturday there is music on two stages from noon until The Leylines at 10pm. All for £30.

Naturalist ready to Packham in Grand

NATURALIST Chris Packham is coming to Wolverhampton to give a talk on his career and conservation at the Grand The-

Tickets for Tadpoles Not In-cluded on Monday at 7.30pm are on sale at £19.25 and £21.25. The Springwatch presenter will be sharing his experiences of close encounters with large hungry carnivores and giving his views about conservation. The talk is illustrated with his

own photographs and video.

The 55-year-old first found fame in the 1980s on The Really Wild Show. His autobiography Fingers in the Sparkle Jar: A Memoir was published in May.

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Artsnight – Julie Walters Meets Willy Russell (BBC2, 10pm)

Actress Julie Walters interviews her friend and collaborator Willy Russell, to explore his thoughts on how a working-class lad from Liverpool's suburbs - who dropped out of school at the age of 15 - became one of the most celebrated playwrights of modern British theatre. The 1983 film adaptation of Russell's play Educating Rita helped Walters find stardom as she took the title role opposite Michael Caine, and here, she encourages Russell to open up about some of his other, lesser-known artistic ventures. Plus, the pair visit some of the distinctive Liverpool locales that have formed part of their home-city's cultural character, including the Philharmonic Pub.

6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live 11.30 James Martin: Home Live. 11.30 James Martin: Home Comforts. (R) 12.00 Football Focus. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 2.00 Escape to the Country. (R) 2.30 Live Cycling: Road World Championships. Juli Douglas introduces coverage of the women's road race from Qatar. 4.30 Final Score. 5.20 BBC News. 5.30 Regional Programme. 5.40 Pointless Celebrities.

 Sal Strictly Come Dancing. Tess Daly and Claudia Winkleman present as the pro-celebrity dance contest continues. So far, two couples have left the competition, and to keep hold of their chance of reaching the grand final, the remaining contestants must prove their mastery of ballroom and Latin routines in live Latin routines in live performances. As ever, judges Len Goodman, Darcey Bussell, Bruno Tonioli and Craig Revel Horwood are on hand to scrutinise every move and pass their verdict, ahead of tomorrow's show, in which the results of the public vote will be revealed.

8.25 The National Lottery: Five Star Ine National Lottery: Five Star Family Reunion. A UK family and their long-lost overseas relatives must work together in order to win a once-in-a-lifetime reunion in a five-star location. The overseas family must answer questions to win time for their relatives in the IVK studio, who will then UK studio, who will then individually answer questions against the clock. Nick Knowles hosts, and Gaby Roslin presents the all-important weekend draw.

Casualty. Elle calls Connie's ability to focus on the job into question, and Robyn's plans for the future ake an unexpected turn.

10.05 BBC News; Weather.

10.05 Bus News, weather.

10.25 Match of the Day, Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Manchester City v Everton at the Etihad Stadium and Chelsea v Leicester City; National Lottery Update.

Lottery Updace:

11.50 Asian Provocateur: Mum's
American Dream. New series.
Stand-up comedian Romesh
Rangamathan heads to Sri Lanka to
connect with his roots, visiting
must-see locations and taking part
in traditional rituals and customs.

12.20 Film: Wedding Daze. (2006) 1.50 Weather for the Week Ahead. 1.55 BBC News.

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6.00 Film: Till the End of Time. (1946) 7.45 Coast. (R) 8.45 Film: Wuthering Heights. (1939) 10.25 Laurence Dilvier: Talking Pictures. (R) 11.00 Lost Land of the Jaquar (R) 12.00 Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food. (R) 12.30 Great British Menu. (R) 1.00 Great British Menu. (R) 1.30 Great British Menu. (R) 2.00 Nature's Weirdest Events. (R) 3.00 Flog It! 4.00 The Hairy Bikers' Chicken and Egg. (R) 5.00 Gardeners' World. (R)

6.00 Inside the Commons. Michael Cockerell examines why backbench MPs are becoming increasingly rebellious, and meets the people whose job it is to ensure that all the Commons clocks tell the same time. (R)

7.00 The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice. Jo Brand presents a companion show to BBC One's baking contest, featuring unseen paking contest, featuring uns footage from the programme an interview with the week's eliminated baker. (R)

7.30 A Very British Murder with Lucy Worsley. The historian examines how murder infiltrated popular culture during the Victorian era, and how the depiction of grisly crimes in literature captured the public's imagination

Dad's Army. Pike borrows
Mainwaring's new staff car to take
his girlfriend to the cinema – but it breaks down, leaving the lovebirds stranded in the middle of nowhere.

(R)
The Secret Lite of Sue Townsend
(Aged 68 3/4). Profile of the
creator of Adrian Mole, with
contributions from comedians and
writers she inspired, as well as
entries from her own diary,
documenting her struggles with ill
health.

health.

10.00 Artsnight – Julie Walters Meets
Willy Russell . Julie Walters
interviews her friend and
collaborator Willy Russell about
his career as a playwright, and the
pair explore some of Liverpool's
lesser-known cultural landmarks.

10.30 Film: The Talented Mr Ripley. (1999) A man is paid to persuade a businessman's spoiled son to return home to his family, but ends up assuming his identity. Anthony Minghelia's thriller, with Matt Damon and Jude Law.

12.45 Andrew Marr's Great Scots: The Writers Who Shaped a Nation. (R) 1.45 Film: X the Unknown. (1956) 3.00 This Is BBC Two.

CHRISTMAS PARTY TRIBUTE WEEKENDS

6.00 CITV: Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. 6.15 Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. 6, 15 Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. (R) 6.25 Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) 6.35 Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) 6.50 Sooty. (R) 7.00 Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) 7.05 Super 4. (R) 7.20 Oddbods. (R) 7.25 Scrambled!: Scrambled! 7.30 Scrambled! Scrambled! 7.30
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DC Super Hero Girls: Super Hero High,
9.05 Scrambled! Adventure Time, (R)
9.25 ITV News, 9.30 Murder, She Wrote,
(R) 11.20 Murder, She Wrote, (R) 11.20
Judge Rinder, (R) 12.15 ITV News;
Weather, 12.20 Cash Trapped, (R) 1.20
The Chase, (R) 2.20 Big Star's Little Star,
(R) 3.20 Pick Mel (R) 4.25 Ninja Warrior
UK, (R) 5.25 Regional Programme;
Weather, 5.40 ITV News; Weather,
6.00 Tinnian Point: Lucky Stars, New

weatmer.3.4u I'v News; weatmer.3.4u I'v News; weatmer. 6.00 Tipping Point: Lucky Stars. New series. Ben Shephard presents a celebrity edition of the quiz, in which Jimmy Carr, David Haye and Charlotte Crosby answer questions to win turns on an cade-style machine

7.00 Meet the Parents. New series. Dating show, hosted by Holly Willoughby, which puts the love lives of singletons in the hands of the people they know best – their mum and dad.

8.00 The X Factor. The pressure is still on for the remaining contestants as the talent contest's live stage continues. As was the case last continues. As was the case last week, each of the would-be stars must once again perform in from the original process. The star sust once again perform in from the girls, Nicole Scherzinger, looking after the boys, Louis Walsh, in charge of the groups, and Sharon Osbourne —who has the overs —as well as millions of viewers at home. Once this latest round of performances are out of the way, Dermot O'Leary entrusts the stars' fate to the shows fans, as the public vole opens. D'The Jonathans Show. The

10.00 The Jonathan Ross Show. The I ne Jonathan Hoss Show. The host is joined by QI funnyman Alan Davies, actor and comedian Russell Brand, impressionist Morgana Robinson and the newly reunited Bros. Singer Rebecca Ferguson performs live.

11.05 ITV News; Weather.
11.25 Film: Rest in Peace, Mrs
Columbo. (1990) Crime drama,
starring Peter Falk.

ALBERT HALL XMAS SHOW & HYDE

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1.10 Jackpot247. 3.00 Murder, She Wrote. (R) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.15 Motor Sport: GT Academy. 6.40 Yorkshire Marathon. 7.30 Frasier. (R) Yorkshire Mariathon. 7.30 Frasier. (R) 4.00 The Morning Line. 10.00 The Big Bang Theory 10.25 The Big Bang Theory 10.25 The Big Bang Theory 10.25 The Big Bang Theory 10.55 The Simpsons. (R) 11.55 Sarah Beeny's Four Rooms. 1.00 Channel 4 Racing, Live coverage of British Champions Day at Ascot. 4.45 A Place in the Sur: Summer Sun. 5.45 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. (R)

6.40 Channel 4 News.

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7.00 The Crassrall Discovery:
London's Lost Graveyard.
Documentary catching up with
London's Crossrall engineers less
than two years after the project's
exavations uncovered the 14thcentury Charterhouse plaque pit.
In an extraordinary turn of events,
further work on the Liverpool
Street station has revealed another
burial ground, this time
accommodating the capital's
radicias, rebels and outsiders. The accommodating the capitars radicals, rebels and outsiders. The Bedlam burial ground, which is thought to be the final resting place of nearly 20,000 people, was believed to be lost for around 300 years. Now, with the excavation process under way, archaeologists and bistoriace have been using process under way, archaeologists and historians have been using bone analysis techniques conjunction with parish records to reveal the names and life stories of those whose remail life stories of those whose remail life stories of more start in the seminary of the semi

8.00 Britain's Ancient Tracks with Tony Robinson. New series. The historian explores the UK's network of ancient trackways and roads, which have been walked by pilgrims, hunters and invaders over the course of the past 5,000 years

9.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown.

Jimmy Carr hosts the comedy panel show's version of the words and numbers quiz, with Sean Lock and Victoria Coren Mitchell going up against guest captain Lee Mack and Both Mortimer.

10.00 Film: Limitless. (2011) Sci-fi thriller, starring Bradley Cooper.

12.05 Film: Starred Up. (2013) 2.05 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA. (R) 2.55 Hollyoaks. (R) 4.55 Phil Spencer: Secret Agent. (R) 9 NO 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown

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6.05 NCIS. Gibbs sends DiNozzo and Ziva on a decoy mission to retrieve top-secret information from a secure military base, in a bid to expose a spy in NCIS. (R)

7.00 NIS. Naving identified the mole in their ranks, the agents arrest the traitor's contact Ted Bankston, a former NSA agent working for a kidnapper code-named the Weatherman – who is making millions on the stock markets out of stellar milliand the Drama. of stolen military data. Drama,

ur stoen military data. Drama, guest-starring David Eigenberg, with Mark Harmon, David McCallum and Cote de Pablo. (R) NCIS: New Orleans. The murder of a petty officer on a US Navy construction site leads Pride to a drugs cartel, but when he launches a sting he discourse Scale manage. a sting, he discovers Sonja among the dealers.

8.55 5 News Weekend.

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9.00 Football on 5: The Championship.
George Riley and Lynsey Higgrave
introduce highlights from the
weekend's games, including
Newcastle United V Brentford at St
James' Park, Derby Country
Leds United at the iPro Stadium
and Aston Villa v Wolverhampton
Wanderers at Villa Park Wanderers at Villa Park

10.00 Football on 5: Goal Rush. George Riley and Lynsey Hipgrave introduce all the goals from the games in Leagues One and Two, including Scunthorpe United v Milton Keynes Dons and Sheffield United v Port Vale.

10.30 Britain's Greatest Bridges. Rob Bell reveals the story behind the Bell reveals the story behind the construction of the Forth Rail Bridge and how its incredible engineering achievement was born from tragedy and paid for in blood.

11.25 Ram Raid Britain: Caught on Camera. The documentary showing how CCTV and technological advances are helping to bring criminals to justice looks at the rise of ram raids. (R)

12.15 SuperCasino. 3.10 Now That's Funny! (R) 4.00 The Hotel Inspector. (R)

*BOURNEMOUTH GARDENS OF LIGHT & WINCHESTER XMAS MARKET

DIGITAL

7.00 Lost Kingdoms of South America 8.00 The Incredible Human Journey 9.00 Film: The Keeper of Lost Causes (2013) 10.30 Sweet Home Alabama: The Southern Rock Saga 11.30 Southern Rock at the BBC 12.30 Top of the Pops: 1982 1.30 Sweet Home Alabama: The Southern Rock Saga 2.30 Southern Rock at the BBC 3.30 Close

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12.50 You've Been Framed! 1.50 Film:
Paranoia (2013) 2.50 FYI Daily 2.55
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11.20 Film: Columbo: Suitable for Framing (1971) 1.00 Rosemary & Thyme 2.00 Midsomer Murders 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Lewis 1.05 You're Only Young Twice 1.55 ITV3 Nightscreen 2.30 leshopping

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3.00 Film: Apache (1954) 3.45 Film: The Hanging Tree (1959) 4.45 FYI Daily 4.50 Film: The Hanging Tree (1959) 6.00 Fishing impossible 7.00 Fierce 8.00 Storage Wars 9.00 Film: Heartbreak Ridge (1986) 10.05 FYI Daily 10.10 Film: Heartbreak Ridge (1986) 11.40 Film: Fire Down Below (1997) 12.45 FYI Daily 12.50 Film: Fire Down Below (1997) 12.45 FYI Daily 12.50 Film: Fire Down Below (1997) 12.50 Film: Fire Down Below (1997) 2.50 ITV4 Nightscreen F4

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11.00 Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days
(2012) 1.00 Vice Versa (1988) 2.55
Gulliver's Travels (2010) 4.35
Thunderbirds Are Go! (1966) 6.25
Battleship (2012) 9.00 Red (2010) 11.15
The Divide (2011) 1.30 This Means War
(2012) 3.30 Close

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6.00 Breakfast. 7.30 Match of the Day. (R) 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 (R) 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 Sunday Morning Live. 11.00 Regional Programme. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC) News; Weather. 1.15 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) 1.45 Escape to the Country. (R) 2.30 Points O'liew. 2.45 The Great British Bake Off. (R) 3.45 Regional Programme. **4.15** Songs of Praise. **4.50** Animal Babies. **5.50** BBC

6.05 Regional Programme.

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 6.15 Countryllie. Matt Baker and Anita Rani explore the Isle of Wight, where Matt absells down the walls of Carisbrooke Castle to clear the ivy and works with two donkeys to draw water from a well, while Anita helps local volunteers to round up feral goats and visits a vineyard. Naomi Wilkinson drops in at Ventor Botanic Gardens, Adam Henson meets a commercial deer breeder, and Tom Heap reports or plans to crack down on keeping chickens in cages. Including weather for the week ahead.
- 7.15 Strictly Come Dancing: The Results. The two lowest scoring couples from last night's show compete in a dance-off to decide who will be eliminated. Plus, a guest performance by Madness and a tribute to James Brown.
- 8.00 Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce presents the show from Baddesley Clinton, a moated manor house near Birmingham. Items brought in to be valued include a controversial carving of St George
- 9.00 Poldark. Dwight prepares to elope with Caroline, but his plans are jeopardised when he is needed to treat Rosina's leg, and also discovers that Ross is walking into

10.00 BBC News

- 10.00 BBC News.
 10.20 Regional Programme.
 10.30 Have I Got a Bit More News for
 You. Extended edition. Stephen
 Mangan hosts the satirical current
 affairs quiz, with Ruth Davidson and Henning Wehn joining team captains Ian Hislop and Paul
- 11.10 Film: Midnight's Children. (2012) Two men switched at birth find their lives intertwined as they grow up in newly independent India. Drama based on Salman Rushdie's novel, starring Satya Bhabha.

1.25 Weather for the Week Ahead. 1.30 BBC News.

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- ners' World. (R) 8.45 (R) 9.40 The Beechgrove Countryfile. (R) 9.40 The Beechgrove Garden. 10.15 Saturday Kitchen Beest Bites. 11.45 Food & Drink. (R) 12.15 MOTDE Extra. 1.00 Great British Menu. (R) 1.30 Great British Menu. (R) 2.00 Great British Menu. (R) 2.30 Live Cycling: Road World Championships. 5.00 Flog It!
- 6.00 Giraffes: Africa's Gentle Giants Natural World. Conservationist Dr Julian Fennessy is on a mission to learn more about the giraffes of Africa, but the most important fact is that they are disappearing, it is that they are disappearing, it is that they are disappearing, and urgent attempt to save them, he and a determined Ugandan team round up 20 of the world's rarest giraffes to take across and beyond the mighty Nile River. The stakes are high, but if they succeed the reward will be a brighter future for an animal Dr Fennessy believes has been overlooked. (R) Julian Fennessy is on a mission to
- 7.00 Inside Obama's White House Inside Obama's White House.
 Four-part series giving an account of Barack Obama's successes and failures, as told by his inner circle and chief adversaries, including the story of how he tried to reshape America. The election of the first African American President marked an era of hope President marked an era of hope, but what happened instead was economic collapse, minimal cooperation from the Republican opposition, and the rise of a populist anti-big government Tea Party. The first edition focuses on how Obama crashed a private meeting of fellow heads of state to persuade the Chinese to tackle climate change at the Copenhagen summit, as well as his struggle to shut drown Guratanamo. (B) shut down Guantanamo. (R
- 8.00 The Greatest Tomb On Earth: Secrets of Ancient China. Dan Snow, Alice Roberts and Albert Lin explore the final resting place of China's first emperor, and uncover evidence that casts a new light on the founding of the nation.
- 9.00 Wild West: America's Great Frontier. Wildlife in America's mountain regions, including the Rockies and the Sierra Nevada, exploring the methods used by black bears, pikas and bison to survive in harsh conditions.

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10.00 Mock the Week. (R)

10.35 Film: Borrowed Time. (2012)

12.00 Film: The Magdalene Sisters. (2002) 1.50 Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R)

2.50 Holby City. (R) 3.45 This Is BBC
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- Kids. 6.10 Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. 6.10 Grizzly Tales for Gruesome Kids. (R) 6.25 CITV. Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. 6.35 Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. 6.35 Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) 6.50 Sooty. (R) 7.00 Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) 7.05 Super 4. (R) 7.20 Oddbods. (R) 7.25 Scrambled: Topped. 8.30 Scrambled: Scrambled: Adventure Time. (R) 9.15 Scrambled: Adventure Time. (R) 9.25 TIV News. 9.30 Bear Grylls Survival School. 10.00 Peston on Sunday. 11.00 Gino's Italian Escape: Hidden Italy. (R) 11.30 Chopping Block. (R) 12.30 TIV News; Weather. 12.40 The X Factor. (R) 2.35 Victoria. (R) 3.40 Midsomer Murders. (R) 5.40 Doc Martin. (R) 6.35 Regional Programme; Weather. 6.45 TIV News; Weather.
- 6.45 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 The Chase Celebrity Special. Ine Lnase Leienrity Special.

 Bradley Walsh presents as celebrity contestants Susie Dent, Anthony Croila, Ellie Taylor and Harry Redknapp pit their wits against ruthless quiz genius the Chaser in the hope of winning a potential prize pot worth thousands of pounds. They must work as a team and play. work as a team and play strategically to answer general knowledge questions against the clock and race down the game board to the exit without being
- 8 00 The X Factor The results of Saturday's live show are announced, and the acts discover who is through to the next episode and who will have to compete in a sing-off to avoid elimination. 9.00 Tutankhamun. New series. Drama about the discovery of the Pharaoh's tomb in 1905 by
- archaeologist Howard Carter whose dig is jeopardised by global events. Starring Max Irons and Sam Neill.
- 10.05 ITV News; Weather. 10.20 Peston on Sunday. Political magazine, presented by Robert Peston, with ITV News National Editor Allegra Stratton. (R)
- 11.20 Murder, She Wrote. Jessica tackles a case in Japan, where a motorcyclist romancing the daughter of a traditional family finds his life is on the line. (R)

 12.15 Jackpot247. 3.00 Motorsport UK. 3.50 TTN Ughtscreen. 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R)

CHANNEL 4

6.15 Mobil 1 The Grid. 6.40 Motorcycle Racing: Mondello Masters. 7.35 Frasier Racing: Mondello Masters. 7. 35 Frasier.
(R) 8.00 Frasier. (R) 8.25 Find I; Dr II; Fifg (I. 9.30 Sunday Brunch. 12.30 Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast.
(R) 1.30 Film: The Rescueres. (1977) Disney animated adventure, with the voice of Eva Gabor. 3.05 The Simpsons.
(R) 3.30 The Simpsons. (R) 4.00 The Simpsons. (R) 4.30 Film: The Golden Compass. (2007) Fantasy adventure, starring Dakota Blue Richards.
6.35 Channel 4 News.
7.00 Posh Pawn. A collection of Iranian diamond and sapphire jewellery is

- Posh Pawn. A collection of Iranian diamond and sapphire jewellery is brought in to the shop by a customer hoping to fund renovations to a villa in Cyprus. Claudia examines a handbag that once belonged to Sharon Oshourne, James swaps his usual fast cars for something a bit smaller, and and the staff compete to win employee of the month.
- to win employee of the month?

 8.00 Child Genius vs Celebrities:
 SU2C Special. Richard Osman
 hosts a quiz show pitting four
 gifted youngsters featured on
 Child Genius against a team of
 Channel 45 finest Celebrity minds,
 made up of Alan Carr, Rachel Riley,
 Krishnan Guru-Murthy and Aisling
 Bea. The teams battle it out
 through a series of challenges. through a series of challenges, testing their spelling, maths, general knowledge and memory, as well as individual specialist subjects.
- subjects.

 9.00 The Crystal Maze SU2C Celebrity
 Special. Stephen Merchant hosts
 a one-off revival of the game show
 in aid of Stand Up To Cancer. A
 celebrity team led by Rio
 Ferdinand and made up of
 Michelle Keegan, Jonnie Peacock,
 Sara Cox, and Josh Widdicombe
 face a series of mental, physical,
 skill and mystery challenoes in the skill and mystery challenges in the Aztec, Medieval, Future and Industrial to win crystals and earn time for their final test in the Crystal Dome.
- 10.00 Gogglebox. Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (R)
- the common of their own Sorias. (H)

 11.058 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown.

 Jimmy Carr hosts the comedy
 panel show's version of the words
 and numbers quiz. (R)

 12.10 Film: Stoker. (2013) 1.50 Grand
 Designs Australia. (R) 2.50 The Tiny Tots
- Designs Australia. (R) 2.50 The Tiny Tot: Talent Agency. (R) 3.45 Kirstie's Vintage Gems. (R)

CHANNEL 5

- 6.00 Milkshake!: Milkshake! Monkey.
 6.05 Peppa Pig. (R) 6.10 Angeliuder.
 6.05 Peppa Pig. (R) 6.25 Bob the Builder. (R)
 6.35 Wanda and the Alien. (R) 6.45 Zack and Quack. (R) 6.55 Pets. (R) 7.00
 Fireman Sam. (R) 7.15 Pip Ahoy! (R)
 7.35 Little Princess. (R) 7.00 Paw Patrol. (R) 8.10 Blaze and the Monster (H) 8. 10 Blaze and the Monster Machines. (R) 8. 35 Football on 5: The Championship. (R) 9. 30 Football on 5: Goal Rush. (R) 10.00 The Great Birmingham Run 2016. 12.00 The Gadget Show. (R) 12.55 The Hotel Inspector. (R) 1.50 The Hotel Inspector. (R) 2.50 Film: Big Momma's House. (R) 2.50 Film: Big Momma's House. (R) 2.50 Film: Big Mommas nouse. (2000) Comedy, starring Martin Lawrence. 4.35 Film: Mr Deeds. (2002) Romantic comedy remake, starring Adam Sandler and Winona Ryder. 6.20 Now That's Funny! Featuring amateur athletes, a tribute to CSI
- with a cast of children and a talking
- 7.10 Penn & Teller: Fool Us in Vegas. Penn & Teller: Fool Us in Vegas.
 The final round of acts taking up
 the duo's challenge include a
 performer who demonstrates why
 you should not steal from a
 magician, a teenage stage magic
 champion, a maternal illusionist and a former contestant on America's Got Talent. Penn and Teller close the show with a vanishing one-minute egg trick. Last in the series.
- Last in the series.

 8.05 lee Road Truckers. Todd runs into trouble when he and rival Darrell Ward hit a newly opened trail. Plus, Polar boss Mark pairs his new recruit with company wildcard Art Burke.

 8.55 5 News Weekend.

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 9.00 Film: Divergent. (2014) Premiere. A teenager grows up in a strictly ordered future society where people's lives are decided according to personality types. She discovers she does not fit into any of the existing categories, and must fight against a conspiracy to wipe out all those like her. Sci-fi adventure based on the book series by Veronica Roth, starring Shalean Wordles and Kate Shailene Woodley and Kate Winslet. Includes 5 News Update.
- 11.45 Film: Dead Man Down. (2013) Premiere. A gangster plotting revenge on his own boss is blackmailed by a woman into murdering the man who disfigured her. Crime thriller, with Colin Farrell and Noomi Rapace.
- 1.50 SuperCasino. 3.10 Raw Recruits: Squaddies at 16. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four
7.09 Mozart in Prague: Rolando Villazon
0 Don Giovanni 8.00 Len Goodman's
Dance Band Days 9.00 BBC: The Secret
lies 2.10.00 Storyville: Moazzam Begg
Living the War on Terror 11.25 Horizon:
15 Seeing Believing? 12.25 Light
15 Seeing Believing? 12.25 Light
Clockwork Dreams 2.25 Dissected: The
Incredible Human Foot 3.25 Closs

ITV2
2.35 I'm a Celeb: Epic Trials 3.35 Film:
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4.40 FYI Daily 4.45 Film: The Filmtstones
in Viva Rock Vegas (2000) 5.25 Film:
King Kong (2005) 6.25 FYI Daily 6.30
Film: King Kong (2005) 9.00 The Xtra
Factor Live 10.00 Family Guy 11.55
American Dad1 12.50 The Cleveland
Show 1.20 Dating in the Dark 2.15
Teleshopping 5.45 ITV2 Nightscreen
ITV3

ITV3 12.35 Lewis 2.35 Film: Columbo: Double Shock (1973) 4.05 Film: Carry On Don't Lose Your Head (1966) 5.10 FYI Daily 5.15 Film: Carry On Don't Lose Your Head (1966) 6.00 Rosemary & Thyme 7.00 Lewis 9.00 Rising Damp Forever 10.00 A Touch of Frost 12.05 Lewis 2.00 The Kindness of Strangers 3.15 May the Best House Win 4.55 Your Ponly Young Twice 5.50 ITV3 Nightscreen

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12.00 Made in Chelsea 1.00 Marvel's
Agents of SHIELD 2.00 The Goldbergs
3.00 Films: Stuart Little (1999) 4.45
Rude(jsh) Tube Shorts 5.00 The Big Bang
Theory 6.00 Film: Ice Age; Dawn of the
Dinosaurs (2009) 7.50 Rude(jsh) Tube
Shorts 8.00 The Big Bang Theory 10.00
Tattoo Fixers on Holiday

Film4 . 1.00 Bandslam (2009) 3.10 The House of Magic (2013) 4.50 Fantastic Mr Fox (2009) 6.35 Vertical Limit (2000) 9.00 The A-Team (2010) 11.20 Red Lights (2012) 1.35 The Boss, Anatomy of a Crime (2015) 3.40 Close

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FILM CHOICES

Red Dragon, Channel 5, 11.05pm
The FBI agent who first captured Hannibal Lecter is called out of retirement to catch a demented murderer dubbed the Tooth Fairy, who slaughters a family whenever there is a full moon – forcing the detective to draw on the imprisoned cannibal's expertise in criminal psychology. Thriller prequel adapted from the first of Thomas Harris's Lecter novels, starring Anthony Hopkins, Edward Norton, Ralph Fiennes and Philip Seymour Hoffman, (2002)

TUESDAY

Too Late to Say Goodbye, Channel 5, 3.15pm A woman discovers her husband is having an affair and confides in a mystery man she meets on the internet. When her spouse's lover dies under suspicious circumstances, she fears he may have murdered her – or that her online friend is not as trustworthy as he appears. Drama, starring Stefanie on Pfetten, Rob Lowe, Lauren Holly and Yannick



WEDNESDAY

A Wife's Suspicion, Channel 5, 3.15pm

A forensic investigator begins to suspect her new husband is the serial killer the police department has been hunting, putting her and her ex-boyfriend - a detective on the case – in danger. Crime drama, starring Andrea Roth. (2016)

The Killing Game, Channel 5, 3.15pm
Premiere. A sculptor whose daughter was murdered receives phone calls from the killer, and tries to identify him before he strikes again. Mystery, with Laura Prepon and Ty Olsson. (2011)

American Pie: The Wedding, ITV, 10.40pm

The friends from East Great Falls High reunite to celebrate Jim and Michelle's forthcoming wedding. Though reluctant to invite Stifler to their big day, the happy couple relent - but regret their decision when he plans a bachelor party on the same evening Jim is due to meet the in-laws. The third instalment in the comedy series, with Jason Biggs. (2003)

Taking control of his incredible new powers

s many know from offerings like Carrie, and Village of the Dammed, adolescents with psychic powers go together as well as nitro and glycerine. Now there's another young man with a 'gift' set to add a chill to your pre-Hallowe'en viewing.

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This new drama comes from the pen of Paula Milne, the brains behind acclaimed offerings The Virgin Queen, The Politician's Husband, and Endgame. Her latest concerns a 17-year-old boy caught in the limbo between childhood and adulthood.

However, he's also trapped between the homes of his divorced parents Hannah (Katherine Kelly) and Edward (James Murray), each now remarried with new families.

Like most lads, he finds it difficult to process his feelings, so he tends to "act out." However, the protagonist known only as Him also has a supernatural power he inherited from his granddad.

Newcomer Fionn Whitehead plays the eponymous protagonist. He saw the audition posted on the National Youth Theatre website and applied for it. Although Ffion didn't hear anything, he was encouraged to apply for it again by a Youth Theatre director.

"So I re-applied and included a very clear photo in the email. The casting director Daniel Edwards called me within 10 minutes," he explains. "I put a lot of it down to him, he was incredible."

Fionnwas working in a cafe at the time and acting in his free time for the love of it.

"Then when I got this role it blew it all out of the water. It was not what I was expecting at all. It was amazing." Since leaving Coronation Street, co-star Katherine Kelly has been able to choose some of the best projects in British drama, from Mr Selfridge to new Dr Who spin-off, Class.So what was it that attracted her to Him?

"It was one of the most unique explains. "I thought, 'This is something really different, especially for mainstream television.' A current television show that could be something really special and that always excites me. Something that is domestic but not obvious."

drama and I'm sure a lot of people will relate to that. And then in the telling of it this supernatural element comes out of something a lot of teenagers will relate to. It's not something put on top. It's cleverly done."

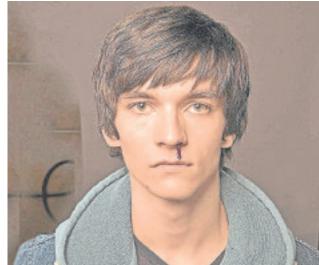
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Carrying a series is a lot for a veteran actor, let alone a newcomer, and Katherine was impressed by Ffion's natural ability to juggle all the filming and acting elements thrown a bim.

"The director was very aware that Fionn was carrying the show and that's a lot of pressure on somebody so young. And the only way you can do that is to have knowledge of what's going on around him.

"You wouldn't think it was his first job," she adds. "He took it all in his stride. He's a pro already."

The first episode focuses on Him having to deal with adolescence, failing grades, the repercussions of his parents' divorce, and his feelings towards his stepsister. Then there's the additional pressure of learning to control his telekinetic powers.



Fionn Whitehead stars in Him, Wednesday, ITV, 9pm

BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY

Paxman on Trump vs Clinton: Divided America

BBC1, 9pm

Considering he has referred to Democrat nominee Hillary Clinton a 'dull candidate' and Republican Donald Trump a 'clown' this one-off documentary by Jeremy Paxman should make interesting viewing. Clinton once held a double-digit lead over Trump, but this has been eroded by the billionaire, partly due to health concerns when she fainted in public after suffering from pneumonia. But with the Republican nominee prone to making gaffes and alienating key demographic groups, he has failed to close the gap on her fully. Here Paxman examines the US presidential race and how it is laying bare America's class divide. He also looks at the strengths and weaknesses of each individual and attempts to predict how the election of either candidate to the White House on November 8 will change not only America, but the world.

TUESDAY Who's Spending Britain's Billions?

Thanks to our regular pay slips, we all know how But as cash-strapped Britain continues to spend

less on the public sector, do we really know where our taxes are being spent? Spending on schools, hospitals and foreign aid are well debated, but in this one-off documentary Jacques Peretti looks beyond these well-known budgets to a range of less-known projects, from virtual receptionists at Brent Civic Centre to night-vision goggles being used to spy on dog walkers in Staffordshire. He finds that local councils are signing contracts with management consultancy firms who can take a percentage of any savings they find and also reveals that hundreds of millions of taxpayers' pounds are spent on contracts are covered by confidential deals.

WEDNESDAY Little British Isles with Alison Steadman Channel 4, 8pm

TV's passion for celebrity travelogues shows little sign of abating, and in the latest beloved individual off on a tour is the woman who breathed life into classic dramas such as Abigail's Party, Life is Sweet and more recently Gavin and Stacey.
A couple of years after fronting a compelling documentary about Shetland for ITV, she now she takes us on a tour of some of the small islands that surround Britain. And there's no shortage to choose from as 267 are inhabited. The actress has always been fascinated with idyllic

Stand Up to Cancer, Friday, Channel 4, 7pm

Isle of Man as a youngster. In the first episode, she travels to some of Scotland's windswept Inner Hebrides, and over the course of a week she explores the sparsely populated Gigha, Jura, Colonsay and Oronsay

island life since holidaving on the

THURSDAY Robinson's Britain BBC1,

8pm Anne explores body image among the younger generation, nvestigating

whether they are under more pressure to look good than ever before. She meets make-up addicts who spend more time getting ready for a night out than on the night itself, a couple of gym obsessives in pursuit of social media followers and a young man going under the knife in the hope that one day he will be 'perfect' She also meets some people who could not care less about how they look – including naturists happy to let it all hang out.

FRIDAY Stand Up to Cancer

Channel 4, 7pm It's that time of year again when the main TV companies pull out all the stops for their chosen charities, and for the latest, Channel 4 have a feast of entertainment lined up. The aim, as you'll have gathered, is to persuade us to part with our cash, which will go towards finding a cure for cancer. Davina McCall, Alan Carr and Adam Hills guide us through the proceedings, and some famous faces will be giving their verdict on small screen gems in Celebrity Gogglebox. Hills returns for a special edition of The Last Leg, and a galaxy of stars, including Jamie Dornan, Michael Bublé, Britney Spears, Noel Gallagher, Olivia Colman, David Tennant, Jon Hamm and Eva Longoria have done their bit to ensure we keep that cash flooding in.







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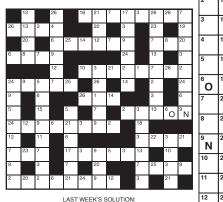
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BRAIN GYM

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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

1. Dull retrograde poet

- 3. About to die. put bone in pile of earth (8)
- 8. Boast clothing given back (4)

 9. Throw round a tree
- like lightning? (8) 11. So Hun militia suffered indignities
- (12) 13. Deem it nothing to include returning punctually (2,4)
 . Does he record the
- runs in twenties? (6)
- 17. Make a big noise to make the building taller? (5,3,4)
- 20. An aristocrat of high principles? (8)
- Eat to celebrate Enid's comeback
- 22. Urgent work to nake clothes look
- 23. Taking a long time to begin to make a gesture (4)

- 1. You can tell a
- graduate by what he wears in infancy (8) 2. Again let in mad rite 4. Its contents make
- for smoother running (6)
- 5. Helpless with laughter after surgery? (2,8)
- (5) 7. Animals initially
- deprived of good sustenance (4) 10. Retired art
- teachers? (3,7)
 12. Do they waste t over the sweet
- course? (8) 15. Disturbance - when odd trio take mixed gin (7)
- 16. This tune takes much effort (6)
- 18. Go at an easy pace - not enough for a wager (5)
- 19. Break cooking vessels up (4)



Across

- 1. Fall (4)
- 3 Miserable (8)
- 8. Secure (4) 9. Passage (8)
- 11. Tripper (12)
- 13. Endeavour (6)
- 14. Winner (6) 17. Betterment (12)
- 20. Almanac (8)
- 21. Certain (4)
- 22. Balderdash (8)
- 23. Repudiate (4)

Down

- 1. Administer (8)
- 2. Functionary (7)
- 4. Army recruit (6)
- 5. Despotic (10)
- 7. Gloomy (4) 10. Predominance (10)
- 12. Lavish (8)
- 15. Offering (7)
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LAST WEEK'S

LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS: CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Proposition; 9 Loster; 10 After; 1 Lieft; 2 Prosposition; 9 Loster; 10 After; 1 Lieft; 2 Prosposition; 10 Loster; 10 After; 1 Lieft; 2 Prosposition; 10 Lieft; 23 Inhorist; 16 Bernard, 16 Lieft; 2 Lieft; 2 Lieft; 2 Lieft; 2 4 Sprite; 5 Twain; 6 Outside; 7 Elderflower; 8 Bring to pass; 1 dopen air; 16 Atlempt; 17 Medium; 19 Andes; 21 Patio, OUICK - Across: Nondescrit; 9 Fercelet; 10 Forge; 11 Sieve; 12 Element; 13 Recess; 15 Amount; 18 Meander; 20 Upset; 22 Naive; 23 Allegro; 24 Wealthinss; Down: 2 Obese; 3 Dithers; 4 Sadden; 5 Rifle; 6 Parvenu; 7 Measurement; 8 Restitution; 14 Chalice; 16 Maudlin; 17 Breach; 19 Dwell; 21 Sages.

Quiz

- 1. In Roman mythology, of what was
- Who wrote The History Man in 1975?

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- 3. What type of creature is a rorqual? What is the brightest star in Ursa
- Which novelist gave the Wars of the Roses their name?
- 6. In which novelist's works does the basketball player Rabbit Angstrom
- 7. How many beats per bar are there in a waltz?
- When is the feast day of St Patrick?
- 9. In which ocean are the Sea Islands? 10. Of which name has England had one
- king, France two and Poland three?

Last week's solutions:

Quiz: 1 Malta: 2 Operation Overlord:

- 3 Jordi; 4 Kamikaze; 5 Dorset;
- 6 Sir Michael Tippett; 7 Woody Allen;
- 8 Myanmar (Burma); 9 112; 10 Isaac

Niner: DUPLICATE

Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters

> gives an emperor, gives an explorer, 816927 gives an inventor.

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WORK

New start for Old India

After reading the good online reviews MARK SHIPP samples the fare at the Old India in St Anne's Road, Willenhall

THE area was home to a dog racing track years ago. Now Amirul Hoque is out of the traps to launch his restaurant career.

Amirul previously worked in the laundry business, but hopes to clean up after branching out to become owner of Old India, in St Anne's Road, Willenhall.

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Formerly a takeaway business, Amirul has expanded the premises into a dine-in restaurant. And, while the take out business continues to be popular, he admits it has been hard to attract sit-down diners.

Parking is perhaps an issue. The restaurant is located in a predominantly residential area.

Parking is pernaps an issue. The restaurant is located in a predominantly residential area, with the odd new-builds adding to the traditional terraced homes, and a clamour for the on-road spots. Elsewhere, there are signs of commercial activity.

Limited

The Forge Tavern stands at one end of the road, adjacent to another derelict former pub and the restaurant faces green space belonging

to St Anne's parish church.

A bargain supermarket is right next door, ideal, for picking up your alcoholic drinks before popping into the unlicensed Old India for

your meal.

It was a quiet Tuesday night when my part-It was a quiet Tuesday night when my part-ner and I dimed, so we were able to make use of what limited parking there is. As a takeaway this would not pose a problem as one could simply park up for just a few minutes, pick up their meal and go. So, is this what is holding Old India back?

The potential is there, and many people passed as we dined. There's plenty of competition in the town, but surely the proof is in the pud-

8,30pm onwards

VELCOME



Inside it is well lit so you can actually see what you are eating

ding, they say. Online reviews are favourable Very clean and the warmth inside', 'made to feel welcome and comfortable', 'food delicious and waiters friendly' among the comments by satisfied diners. This was matched by our own

experience.

Its description in a village magazine as 'quality Asian cuisine in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere' I can identify with.

Size isn't everything, and, although it's small inside, it's within its means. The over-

all decor is nothing spectacular, but it's cer-tainly well lit and, from the the music played on a loop I still have one particular tune in

on a 100p 1 still nave one particular tune in my head.

Our waiter was courteous and was happy to explain to us what certain dishes consisted of. The menu itself threw up some tasty sound-ing dishes, like a Lahore special, taste of Jaf-long and chicken Rajhastani.

There were plenty of non-Asian offerings, too, including scampi, chicken nuggets and



omelette. For starters I can heartily recommend the korahi kebab and whatever secret recipe sauce it was cooked in.

I opted for the moza mix as my main, taken from the chef's specials, and comprising Tandoori chicken, keema balls and spinach cooked with spicy onions in an exclusive sauce.

It was one of a number of fancies, but a wise

choice as immediately the temperature hit me and the taste was good, too

A creamy makhani chicken - yawn! - was

the choice of the less daring other half. She likes to compare with others, and though this may not have quite measured up to the fare dished up elsewhere, it did go down well.

Prices are reasonable, though, with set meals for two at £24, for example. And being able to take your own drinks always cuts the cost.

Old India is open from 5pm every day. To book a table, or for details of special offers, call 01902 630811.

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The property lies in a much sought after residential area convenient for the Shoal Hill district of Cannock Chase and town centre.

It has an impressive central reception hall, a re-fitted cloaks/shower rom, two double bedrooms, further bedroom, an impressive lounge, a bathroom with a WC, a dining room/bedroom four with a separate toilet, a re-fitted kitchen, a dining/breakfast area, utility room and a built-on double garage.

In more detail the reception hall has stairs to the first floor and mahogany flooring and bow windows and mahogany doors off.

The re-fitted cloaks/shower room has a white and chrome suite including a walk-in shower having shower mixer taps over and a hand held shower, ceramic tiled flooring, down lighters and a chrome heated towel rail

The lounge has a marble feature fireplace having a natural flame gas fire, feature flooring with Mahogany surround, ornate plaster coving, two ornate plaster ceiling roses and French windows with side windows to the rear garden.

The dining room/bedroom four has sliding patio access door to the rear garden. Bedroom two has a coved ceiling.

The part tiled re-fitted kitchen has has a range of base units, granite work surfaces with up-stands, a wall cupboard, an inset stainless steel sink having mixer taps, integrated automatic dishwasher, electric built-in oven and grill, gas hob, oven hood/extractor, integrated fridge, concealed lighting, ceramic tiled floor and an archway to the dining/breakfast area.

The utility room has an inset stainless steel sink having mixer taps, a base unit, laminate work surface, plumbing for an automatic washing machine, storage cupboard, cloaks cupboard and ceramic flooring.

On the first floor, off the landing is a linen cupboard. Bedroom one has doors to a Juliet balcony.

Bedroom three has a walk-in wardrobe with sliding mirror doors with a fluorescent light fitting and built-in cupboards and shelving.

The part tiled bathroom has a panelled bath, pedestal hand basin having mixer taps, bidet, low-flush WC, down-lighters and a separate toilet.

KEY FEATURES

Individually designed

Detached

Dormer style

Spacious

3/4 double bedrooms

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Property dating back to 1843 full of charm

RUGELEY £480,000

In the highly sought after village of Cannock Wood, this lovely property in Chestall Road dates back to 1843. Retaining much of its original charm, it is for sale through Lovett & Co at £480,000.

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Other stand-out features include spacious living and sleeping accommodation with three reception rooms and four double bedrooms, parking for several vehicles with the driveway stretching to the rear, a garage plus an additional carport, ample space for a caravan or boat and a hidden woodland garden to the rear.

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A spacious cottage with far-reaching rural views

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In Brancote, Stafford, this spacious three/four doublebedroomed country cottage comes with far-reaching

It is for sale through Goodchilds at £450,000.

It also has three reception rooms, a master en-suite, a breakfast room and guest WC, a garage and ample parking.

In more detail the reception hall has stone filed flooring and stairs off and an under-stairs cupboard. There is an office room with a bow window. a guest WC, a lounge with French doors to the rear and an electric fire with a marble surround.

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Lupin Drive, Huntington is an ideal first time buy, being for sale at 40 per cent shared ownership.

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In brief the accommodation comprises of a communal hallway

HUNTINGTON £42.995

hallway, an open plan lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom. It also has gas central heating and double glazing. With a communal entrance hall entered via a security entrance system. a staircase leads to the first and

second floor properties. The apartment's reception hall has a storage cupboard. The open plan lounge/kitchen has a range of base and wall units, a sink and splash-backs, space for appliances and an integrated electric oven, hob and extractor hood. One of the bedrooms has a storage cupboard.

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Well-presented executive house in sought after village

Situated in a much sought after village location, this executive detached house in Moor Close Acton Trussell, Stafford is very well presented.

It is for sale through butters john bee at £375,000.

Surrounded by open fields and countryside, with canal walks close by and within walking distance to the popular Moat House Hotel, it briefly comprises an entrance porch, an entrance hall, a sitting room, a lounge, a dining room, a conservatory, a breakfast kitchen, a utility, a guest WC, five bedrooms, en suite, a family bathroom and gardens.

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- Lounge, relitted rating would be used to be

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- Guest wc, was a common to the family bathroom
 Enclosed rear garden
 Garage and driveway
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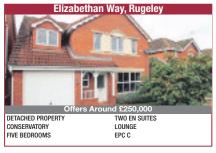






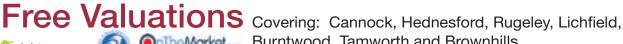












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Hatherton Croft Shoal Hill



Offers Around£599,995

An elegant extended detached family home, located within a prime residential area, a short distance from Cannock Chase, an area of outstanding natural beauty. Providing contemporary styled versatile accommodation, finished to an exceptionally high standard, the property boasts an abundance of high specification fixtures & fittings, noted in particular for the solid ash split level staircase & superb ensuite shower room. This inviting & spacious residence has been greatly extended & re-modelled over the years. Viewing is imperative to appreciate the quality, size and setting of this unique property. There is a double garage with electric up & over door, and an ample driveway to front. EPC = TBA

Lakeside Boulevard Bridgtown



- New Build Coach House Apartment
- •Well Presented Throughout
- •Entrance Hall & Open Plan Lounge
- One Double Bedroom & Bathroom
- •EPC = B

Church Street



- •Three Bedroom Mid Terrace House
- Open Plan Lounge/Dining Room
- •Fitted Kitchen
- Downstairs Shower Room
- •Ideal First Time Purchase
- •EPC = D

Herondale Hednesford



- •Ground Floor Maisonette
- •One Double Bedroom •Bathroom & White Fitted Kitchen
- •D/G & C/H
- •Well Presented Throughout
- •EPC = C

•Bathroom & Separate Shower



£125,000

- •Well Presented Mid Terrace House •Fitted Kitchen & Downstairs WC
- •Two Bedrooms

•EPC = C

- •Parking & Enclosed Rear Garden
- •Ideal First Time Purchase

Garage & Allocated Parking



Dickinson Drive



£315,000

Deceptively spacious executive family residence with accommodation comprising: Impressive Lounge with double doors into Dining Room, Study Room, Guest W.C., Breakfast Kitchen and separate Utility Room. To the first is a gallery style landing with four well proportioned bedrooms, master with Refitted En suite Shower Room, main family bathroom with separate Shower Cubicle. A stand out feature is the delightful enclosed rear garden which offers a good degree of privacy. The property sits back behind a double width driveway and fore garden and includes integral double garage that offers, subject to planning permission, scope for extending. EPC = D



•Extended Mid Terrace House

- •Lounge & Dining Area
- Extended Breakfast Kitchen
- •Two Bedrooms

Voodland Cour Huntington

- •Refitted Upstairs Bathroom
- •EPC = D

Cannock Road



£130,000

- Auction T & C's Apply •Three Bed Semi Detached
- •Two Reception Rooms
- •Two Bedrooms
- Off Road Parking
- •EPC = D



•Well Presented End Terrace House

- Lounge & Conservatory
- •Utility Room & Guest WC
- •Three Bedrooms
- •EPC = D



Semi Detached House

- Two First Floor Bedrooms
- •Ground Floor Bed/Dining Room
- •Two Bathrooms
- Forecourt Parking
- •EPC = C

Lime Grove Cannock



Extended semi detached house ,Located on the fringe of Hammerwich, the current vendor has greatly improved the property. Noted for its extended open plan lounge diner and fitted gloss kitchen, this property is perfectly suited for a first time buyer The accommodation in brief comprises of entrance hall, spacious open plan lounge dining and kitchen, utility room and downstairs guest WC. To the first floor are two double bedrooms and refitted shower room. Externally the property offers enclosed lawned frontage with an exceptional sized garden to rear with seated patio area and lawn. Also double gates to the rear provide.EPC = TBC

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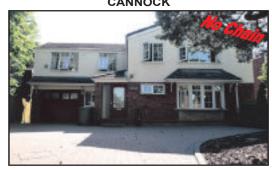
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- Study
 Reception Hall
 Cloakroom with WC

- En-Suite Bathroom
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- 3 reception rooms En-suite shower Sitting room/ room and family
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- Refitted kitchen and and predominantly double glazed
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Convenient For Facilities Within This
Soughh After South Staffordshire ◆ Gardens

Gas fired central

Predominantly

◆ EPC rating E (49)

heating

- Sitting room
- ◆ Living room
- Kitchen
- ◆ Shower room
- Three bedrooms
- £135.000 FREEHOLD

113 LYNTON AVENUE. WOLVERHAMPTON



- THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE ICCUpying Prominent Corner Plot Gardens with Pote For Extension to Living Accommodation Reception hall Accommodation Accommodation Reception hall Stiting room Accommodation Acc

16 LISSIMORE DRIVE, TIPTON



WO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENTLocate

- Entrance lobby and

- ▼ Allocated parking in secu parking area
 ◆ Fully double glazed
 ◆ Gas fired central heating
 ◆ EPC rating C (74)

 £80,000



- - Detached garage (to rear) ◆ EPC rating E (50) £142,950 FREEHOLD

76 HEATH STREET, HEDNESFORD



WELL EQUIPPED THREE DOUBLE BEDROOMED DETACHED CHALET STYLE HOUSE Located In Popular Position Convenient For Facilities at Cannock and Hednesford and Near To Cannock Chase An Area Noted For Its Outstanding Natural Beauty

- ◆ Side reception hall ◆ Well stocked
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- Three double
- hedrooms
- Bathroom
- £196,950 FREEHOLD
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- reception hall

 Two reception rooms

 Refitted breakfast kitchen
- Four double
- ◆ Refitted Dau ◆ Well stocked Refitted bathroom

NO CHAIN

- ◆ All windows double
- ◆ Gas fired central
 - ◆ EPC rating D (67)

£366,950 FREEHOLD

heating

87 STAFFORD LANE, HEDNESFORD



THREE BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE LOCATED IN POPULAR RESIDENTIAL AREA Convenient For Facilities at Hednesford Town Centre

- Lounge and study
- Dining kitchen
 - · Gas fired central
- ◆ Cloakroom with WC
- Bathroom
- ◆ Double glazing

◆ EPC rating tbc

35 GORSEY LANE, CANNOCK



CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED AND IMPROVED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Offering Well Equipped Accommodation Located In Much Sought After Residential Area Of the Town

- Sitting room
- Living room
- Extended refitted breakfast kitchen
- Utility & cloaks/
- shower room
- Four bedrooms En-suite shower
- room & family
- ◆ Garage & mature
- Fully double glazed
- ♠ Gas fired centra
- heating ◆ EPC rating: D (57)

FLAT 27 THE HEATH, CANNOCK ROAD, HEATH HAYES



- - Communal grounds

- Centre
 "---ated parking area
- Fully double glazed
 Security phone system

- ◆ Lounge with fitted kitchen area ◆ Electric heating

◆ EPC rating C (78) £116.950

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 ◆ Detached double
 ◆ L shaped lounge/ width garage. dining area

 Refitted breakfast
 - kitchen ◆ Study ◆ Four double
 - bedrooms Refitted shower room with two

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family bathroom

Oil fired central ◆ Five bedrooms Two en-suites and

◆ Fully double glazed

◆ FPC rating F (50)

◆ Fully double glazed

· Gas fired central

Detached double £635,000 FREEHOLD

13 WILTON CLOSE, CANNOCK



MODERN MID MEWS TWO BEDROOMED HOUSE OFFERING WELL EQUIPPED ACCOMMODATION
Conveniently Located For Access To Facilities

- ◆ Cloakroom with WC ◆ Gardens
- Fitted kitchen
- heating
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44 ROWLEY CLOSE,
HEDNESFORD
THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED
HOUSE
Adjoining Cannock Chase To The Rear
Lounge

\$\Phi\$ Fully double

- heating

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3 THE CROSSINGS, MILL STREET, CANNOCK

glazed

Sorry no pets
or DSS

EPC rating: B (83)



- ◆ Cloakroom with WC

 Lounge Fitted kitchen Three bedrooms Bathroom Gardens

 ◆ Off road parking £575pcm

 ◆ Gas fred centre double glazed double glazed Sorny no DSS, pets or smokers € EPC rating: C



- ◆ EPC rating: D (57) £1400pcm



- ♦ Lounge
 Inner hall
 Refitted kitchen
 Refitted vet room

 ♦ Refitted vet room

 ♦ Sory no DSS, pets or smoker
 - pets or smoke
 EPC rating: C
 (75)
 £450 pcm



SOUTH CLOSE, CANNOCK

A SUPERB TWO/THREE BEDROOM PROPERTY ocated in Much Sought After Cul-De-

- Located in Much Sought After Cul-De-Sac
 Lounge Bathroom

 Dining kitchen Built-on garage

 Sitting room/ Sardens
 bedroom three
 Shower room sweers or DSS

 Two further EPC rating: D
 bedrooms (62)



200D BLOXWICH ROAD, WALSALL

- SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOMED GROUND
 FLOOR FLAT
 Within Easy Access Of Walsall Town Centre
 Reception hall
 Fully double

- 197A CANNOCK ROAD, CHADSMOOR
- Double glazed (45) £440 pcm



REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT



7 HOLLIES AVENUE, CANNOCK CANNOCK THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE nvenient For Local Facility

- glazed ◆ Sorry no smokers
- pets or DSS allowe
- ◆ Bathroom ♦ Three bedrooms ♦ EPC rating: E (50) £606 pcm or £140 pw

♦ Kitchen



◆ DSS considered

1 SPINDLEWOOD CLOSE,
HEATH HAYES
TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED
HOUSE
LOCATED IN SOUGH After Residential Area
ounge
Off road parking

- ◆ Gardens
- ◆ Sorry no smokers pets or DSS
 - ◆ EPC rating: D (63) £600ncm



2 SMITHY PLACE, TEDDESLEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE WELL EQUIPPED SINGLE STOREY BARN CONVERS Situated In The Picturesque Rural Estate Of ≥y Park
◆ Fully double glazed

- Teddesl
 ◆ Fitted dining kitchen
 ◆ Lounge
 ◆ Inner hall
 ◆ Two double & parking
- ◆ Sorry no pets. heating DSS allowed £585pcm plus service chard



room • Kitchen & utility

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PROPERTY







Fully modernised semi is a great first-time buy

Being fully modernised, 8 Anglia Road, Cannock is a twobedroomed semi-detached house that would be a perfect first time

It is for sale through butters john bee at £120,000 with no chain.

It has spacious accommodation that in brief consists of an entrance hall, a guest WC, a through lounge, a re-fitted kitchen, two bedrooms, a

CANNOCK £120,000

shower room, shared driveway and gardens to the front and rear

In more detail the entrance hall has stairs off and an under-stairs storage cupboard. The through lounge has a stunning feature cast iron multi fuel

fire set on a tiled hearth. The kitchen

Upstairs one of the bedrooms has a storage cupboard and the shower room has a white suite and a heated

There is a shared driveway and gardens to the front and back.

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Traditional semi could make for the perfect family home

STAFFORD £150,000



Your Move is inviting offers over £150,000 for this traditional three-bedroomed semi-detached house in Oxford Gardens, Stafford.

Set in a popular location and being an ideal family home, its entrance has laminate flooring and stairs to the first floor landing. The lounge has a bay window and laminate flooring. The dining kitchen is fitted with a built-in gas hob with extractor fan over and fitted electric oven.

On the first floor are the three bedrooms and a bathroom with a shower over the bath. The driveway has off road parking. The rear garden is mainly laid to lawn, enclosed by wood panelled fencing with access to the front.

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£450,000

- Stunning Property
 Living Kitchen
 Utility & Study
 Two Ensuites & Bathroom
- - Landscaped Patio/Garden
 - South Facing Rear Garden
 Quiet Cul-de-sac Location

£360,000

£285,000

£174,950

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- Detached Family Home
- 4 Double Bedrooms 2 Ensuites & Bathroom Spacious Living Room

Detached Bungalow 3 Bedrooms Very Spacious 3 Reception Rooms

Family Lounge-Diner
Stylish Re-Fitted Kitchen
Impressive Conservatory
Three Bedrooms

- Stunning Dining KitchenPrivate Rear Garden
 - No Upward Chain
 EPC D

- Detached New Build Executive Home
- 4 Bedrooms
 Finished To High Spec
 Stylish En-suite Shower Room
- Open Plan Kitchen / Dining Room Immaculately Finished
- Brand NewEPC C

£335,000





New Build
 Detached Bungalow
 Two Bedrooms
 Garage

- Detached Family Home
 4 Bedrooms
 2 Reception Rooms
 Garage & Parking







- Cul De Sac LocationGarageNo Upward ChainEPC TBC

- Four Good Size Bedrooms Open Fields To The Front Two Reception Rooms Very Popular Location



£260,000

- Carport & GarageDownstairs WCLounge & Dining Room





Offers Over £300,000



- Completion Due August 2016
 Opposite Hednesford Park
 Available Off Plan

Ensuite & BathroomGarage







- Block Paved Front
 Rear Garden

Marwood

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- 2 Bedrooms Recently Decorated Backing Onto Playing Fields

£160,00

- Garage With Inspection Pit
 Viewing Is A Must
 Recently Decorated
 EPC D



- Detached House on End
 Very Well Presented
 Kitchen/Diner
 Lounge & Conservatory
 Detached Garage
 Coad Size Front and Por
- Good Size Front and Rear Gradens
 £190,000



- 2/3 Bedroom
 Lounge & Dining Room
 Kitchen & Garage
 Enclosed Rear Garden
 Concrete Impression Dri

Sam Barber Col
First Floor Flat
2 Double Bedrooms
Well Presented Throughout
Spacious Lounge, Kitchen
Re-Fitted Bathroom
Well Kest Company Code

• Well Kept Communal Garden £87,500

£157,500





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- Gas Central Heating
- Alarmed

£126,950



- Semi Detached Bungslow
 2 Bedrooms
 Lounge / Diner
 Small Cul-de-sac
 Driveway
 Enclosed Rear Garden
 Enclosed Rear Garden











- Ground floor apartment Open plan lounge
 Fully fitted kitchen
 Two bedrooms (master with en-suite)
 Main bathroom
 Secure entry system
- £475pcm Sorry no dss and no pets

- Modern apartment
 Fitted kitchen with some appliances Spacious living room Two double bedrooms Bathroom with shower over bath
- £495pcm Sorry no dss and no pets
- Fully refurbished apartment Open plan kitchen & lounge Spacious lounge Double bedroom

Gas central heating
No off road parking
Available now
ONE MONTH RENT FREE. £425pcm Sorry no dss and no pets



£75.000





- Modern semi detached
 Breakfast/kitchen
- LoungeThree bedrooms Bathroom
- £625pcm no dss and no pets





Two Double beauting
 D/Glazed & Gas/C/Heating
 £42,500

- Dining roomFitted Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- £725pcm No DSS and No pets



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in a popular village location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing Room and Kitchen. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Carpo Irden to Rear. EPC Rating D



A well presented three bedroomed mid terraced propert within walking distance to fown Centre and Local Amenities and is offered with NO UPVARD CHAIN. Gas central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Fintrance Hall Dining Room, Lounge, Kitchen, Cellar and Downstairs Bathroom. First Floor Landing and Three Bedrooms. Garden to Rear. EPC RATING - E





SEABROOK ROAD BRERETON

poomed semi delached house on a good size a popular location offered with NO UPWARD Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. sillway, Kitchen and Lounge/Diner. First Floor



THE LINDENS

A four bedroomed semi detached three storey house flered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Cas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazing. Entrance Hallway, Kitchen Diner, suest Clookroom, Lounge, Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Second Floor Landing with Mostler Bedroom and en-suite. Detached Garage with Off Road Parking. Gardens to rear. EPC ARTING - C





SCHOLARS GATE BRERETON

A three bedroomed semi defached family home in a sought offer location and is offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Cas Central Heating and Double Glazing, intrance Hallway, Lounge and Kitcher/Diner. First for Landing, Three Bedrooms and Behroom. Garge and Off Road Parking. Garden to Front and Rear. Viewing Recommended. EPC ARTING - D



esented three bedroomed semi detached family home in a sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC lazing, Entrance Porch, Jounge and Kitchen/Diner, First floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Single Garage and Parking and Garden to Rear. EPC RATING - 0,



THOMPSON ROAD BRERETON

obtain Joseph Minds (1992) The Heating and UPVC Double Glazing, Comprising Entrance Hall, Lounge/Diner and Kitchen. First Floor ding, Three Bedrooms and Shower Room. Detached tge and Off Road Parking. Gardens to Front and Rear EPC RATING - D



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Globe House, Upper Brook Street, Rugeley, WS15 2DN















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ST MICHAELS DRIVE BRERETON

d with NO LIPWARD CHAIN. A modern detr Unterea with INO UPWARD CHAINLA modern detached family home. Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-azing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen, rst Floor Landing. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Large Drive offering ample off Road Parking. Garden to Rear. EPC RATING - B

£155,000



A ground floor apariment located within walking distance to the fown centre and local amenities, offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. UPVC Double Glozing and Electric Heating, Accommodation Communal Entrance Hall, Entrance Hall, Depen Plan Lounge/Richen, Two Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room plus Bathroom. Allocated Parking, EFC RAITING - D

£123,000



WOLSELEY ROAD RUGELEY

Offered for sale with a current assured short hold tenancy a modern second floor apartment offered with NO LPWARD CHAIN. Electif: Heating and Double Glazing. Communal Entrance Hail, Second Floor Landing, Receptior Hall, Open Plan Lounge/Rither, Master with En-Sules Shower Room, One Further Bedroom plus Bathroom. Collected Parking Viewing Recommended EPC RATING - I

£124,995



£435 pcm



Second Floor Flat benefiting from Gas Central Heating, Accommodation comprises of Lounge, Kitchen with som appliances, Bathroom and Double Bedroom. Parking a rear. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating B DEPOSIT £554

£400 pcm



DOBREE CLOSE COLWICH

und floor two bedroomed flat in a popular village I. Cas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing, umodation comprises of Entrance Porch, Lounge, I. Wo Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garden and Two Parking Spaces. EPC RATING - D



OLD EATON ROAD RUGELEY

A three bedroomed semi detached property in a sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glaign. Through Hallway, Dhinig Room, Lounge, Conservatory, Kitchen, Hallway and Downstairs Shower som. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom Driveway with Off Bood Parking. Gardens to Front and Rear, EPC RATING - E



A delightful refurbished mid-terraced cottage. Entrance Hall, Galley Kitchen, Lounge, First Floor Landing with Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Second Floor landing leading o an Attic Room/Third Bedroom. Enclosed garden to rear. INGLE GARAGE and communal parking. EPC RATING - TBC



Studio Apartment in town centre location comprising of open plan living space with fully fitted Kirchen and appliances. Lounge-Redroom area with spaceious Showe Room. Communal entrance with coded security system. SINGLE OCCUPANCY ON INC. OFFEE. FIRST MONTH'S ERVI ALF PRICE £192.50 NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC. Railing D



COULTHWAITE WAY



ARMITAGE ROAD RUGELEY

A traditional detached property. UPVC Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating, Entrance Area, Lounge, Dining om, Study Room/Bedroom Three, Inner Lobby, Breakfast (itchen, Conservatory and Downstairs Shower Room. anding, Two Bedrooms, Brithroom and Spangerty W.C.



EASTBUTTS ROAD, ETCHINGHILL

ntrance Porch, Reception Hall, Downstairs Shower Room, Lounge, Dining Room, Study, Extended Kitchen and Sun Room. First loor Landing with Two Large Bedrooms with one having an en-suite Bathroom, Family Bathroom. Second Floor Landing Two arege Bedrooms and Shower Room. Established Gardens and Covered Carport. FEP RATING - C



£585 pcm



TITHEBARN ROAD

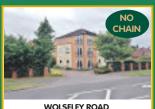
£590 pcm



BUSH DRIVE

three bedroomed family home benefits from UPVC ple glazing and gas central heating. Accommodation stly comprising of Entrance Hall, Guest Cloak Room, n, Utility, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Garage and Garden to Front and Rear. EPC RATING – E

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WOLSELEY ROAD RUGELEY

A second floor aportment offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN Double Glazing and Electric Heating, Communal Entrance Holl, Second Floor Landing, Entrance Holl, Open plan Lounge/Kilchen, Two Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room plus Bathroom. UPVC double-glazed Electric Heating, Allocated Parking Space. EPC RATING - C



WOLSELEY ROAD RUGELEY

A second floor apartment in a purpose built modern development offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Double Glazing and Bletrich Healing, Accommodation Communal Entrance Hall, Second Floor Landing, Entrance Hall, Second Floor Landing, Entrance Hall, Open Jana Lounge/Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, En-suile Shower Room plus Bathroom. GARAGE and Parking, EPC RATING

£126,500



GARDEN VIEW RUGELEY

Terraced properly, Gas Central Healing and Double Glazing, Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Conservatory, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to Front and rear. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. Er



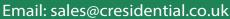
RUGELEY

Vell presented modern coach house in popular location Comprising Entrance Hall and Utility Room. First floor -Lounge, Kilchen wilh some appliances, two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garden, Garage and driveway, VIEVINIG RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO PETS. NO SMOKING. EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £782



Globe House, Upper Brook Street, Rugeley, WS15 2DN









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CHESLYN HAY, TUDOR WAY

Driveway, large garageNo upward chainEPC rating D



CHESLYN HAY, WOODMANS LANE

- Imposing detached residenceImmaculate, contemporary
- interiors

 2/3 receptions, dining kitchen

- Utility room, guest WC
 Master bedroom with ensuite
 Gardens, driveway, double garage
 EPC rating D











GREAT WYRLEY, STATION ROAD

- Impressive detached property
 One bedroom annexe
 Good sized overall plot
 3 receptions, guest WC

- Breakfast kitchen with pantry Driveway parking, garage
 EPC rating E

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Great Wyrley Office - £375,000





SHARESHILL, 'POLLY COTTAGE

- Impressive semi detached house
 Semi rural location
- Good overall plot
- Open plan kitchen / family room
- Utility, guest WC, conservatoryDetached double garage
- EPC rating D

Imposing detached residence
 Four reception rooms
 Kitchen / breakfast room
 Utility, guest WC

GREAT WYRLEY, STAFFORD ROAD

- Impressive detached house Semi rural location
- Lounge, dining room, kitchen
- Open sun terrace off bed 1 • Gated parking for several cars
- No upward chain

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CHESLYN HAY, HOLLY LANE

Great Wyrley Office - £335,000

- Impressive detached dormer bungalow
 Pleasant outlook to the front
 Spacious lounge, gym / study

- Superb kitchen / dining room
 Good sized rear garden
 Driveway and double garage
 EPC rating C



- Spacious family home
- Close to Lichfield city centre
- Open plan living space
- Conservatory
- Ample parking
- Sought after location
- EPC rating D





BURNTWOOD, HOSPITAL ROAD

- Executive family home
 Extensive rear garden
 Ample off road parking

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- Sought after location
 Delightful views to the front
 EPC Rating E

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Great Wyrley Office - £250,000

GREAT WYRLEY, JOHNS LANE

· Gardens, driveway parking No upward chain
 EPC rating D





BLOXWICH, BAMFORD ROAD

- Impressive detached residence
 Greatly extended and improved
 Immaculate, contemporary
- interiors



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Burntwood Office - 275,000

CANNOCK WOOD, PINESIDE AVENUE

Study / fourth bedroom
 Gardens, driveway parking

• EPC rating E



Superb detached residencePleasant Cul-de-Sac location

Spacious lounge / dining area Breakfast kitchen, conservatory







Spacious detached bungalow
 Fully refursbished interiors
 Two reception rooms
 Superb fitted kitchen





HAMMERWICH, OVERTON LANE

HEATH HAYES, CHAPLAIN ROAD

- Superb detached house
- · Lounge, dining room
- Garage

- Front and rear garden
- EPC rating D

Burntwood Office - £220,000



BURNTWOOD, NIGHTINGALE COURT

- · Second floor penthouse
- Fully fitted kitchen
- Bathroom & en-suite
- Communal garden & grounds





CANNOCK WOOD, CUMBERLEDGE HILL

Extended semi detached hom

Dining Kitchen

Garage & driveway

Village location

• EPC rating E

Viewing essential

CHURCHBRIDGE, LOCKSIDE

- Modern semi-detached house
- Immaculately presented interiors
- Spacious lounge, guest WC
- Superb kitchen / diner Gardens, driveway parking
- EPC rating B





Change of use applied for

Garden, off road parking

3 receptions, kitchen, bathroom

Detached 2 storey outbuilding

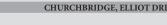








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- Immaculate detached propertyStylish, contemporary interiors
- Larger than average plot
 Sought after location
- Lounge, kitchen/diner Driveway & garageEPC rating B





Cottage style home

Ample off road parking Mature private rear garden





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BURNTWOOD, HOSPITAL ROAD

Great Wyrley Office - £199,950

GREAT WYRLEY, JOHNS LANE

Extended breakfast kitchen

Neatly maintained gardens
Driveway, garage
EPC rating D

· Lounge, kitchen/diner, utility

Garage & driveway

EPC rating D

Driveway, garage / workshop
 EPC rating D

Plenty of potentialSought after locationAwaiting epc rating

- Spacious family home
- Spacious laining nome
 Generous rear garden
 Delightful views to the front
 Good size bedrooms

• Extended detached house

Off road parking for several cars
Through lounge / dining room

CHESLYN HAY, HATHERTON STREET

- Prime village location
- Lounge, dining room
- Kitchen, utility room
- Ground floor bathroom Gardens, off-road parking
- EPC rating D

Burntwood Office - £150,000



CANNOCK, COMMON LANE

- Three bedroom semi detached
- Ample off road parking
- Close to town centre
- Fitted kitchen Spacious lounge/diner
- Epc rating to follow

Superb bungalow
Prime location
Fully refurbished
Lounge, kitchen

Great Wyrley Office - £189,950



Great Wyrley Office - £197,500



Superb semi-detached house

Superb semi-detached hous
 Immaculate interiors
 Through lounge / diner
 Extended breakfast kitchen

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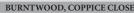
- CHURCHBRIDGE, NUTHURST DRIVE

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Full width conservatoryGarage. No onward chainEPC rating to follow



Burntwood Office - £180,000

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 Well presented semi Popular village location

Superb conservatory

• EPC rating E

Low maintenance garden

· Driveway to front & rear

- Extended semi
 Immaculate interiors
 Good sized lounge
 Open plan kitchen/diner
- Rear gardenDriveway, garageEPC rating B

Great Wyrley Office - £179,950

BLOXWICH, AMBERGATE CLOSE









GREAT WYRLEY, TOWER VIEW ROAD 2

- Semi detached bungalow Prime village location
- Larger than average kitchen
- No chain • EPC rating E

GREAT WYRLEY, BROOKLANDS AVENUE Semi detached dormer bungalow

- Pleasant village location
- Lounge, newly fitted kitchen Scope for further improvement
- Garage, carport, gardens € EPC rating E





Mid-terraced period pr · Lounge, dining room

- Kitchen, guest WC Two double bedrooms
- No upward chain

EPC rating to follow Burntwood Office - £595pcm



Impressive semi-detached house
 Prime location

Beautifully presented interiors
 Modern fixtures & fittings

- · Period end-terraced property
- Good sized kitchen Off road parking
- Detached garage No upward chain EPC rating D







LITTLE BLOXWICH, GRENFELL ROAD

Great Wyrley Office - £125,000

- Superb semi-detached house
 Refurbished interiors
- Through lounge / diner
 Re-fitted kitchen
- Good sized rear garden No upward chain
 EPC rating D

HEATH HAYES, HEATH WAY

- Open plan living
- Parking facilities • Gas central heating EPC Rating C







First floor maisonette Spacious living accommodation Rear garden



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EPC Rating D



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Church Street, Rugeley

JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this rare and well presented period property in a popular location. Chadscroft offers an abundance of style, proportions and features you would expect to find in a property of this calibre. Viewing is essential to appreciate the property with No Chain

£279,950

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Eaton Drive, Rugeley

 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this modern detached family home, offering flexible accommodation over three floors. Having Guest w.c, Utility. Family Room, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen, Master Bedroom with En Suite, Four further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to Garage and Gardens

£299.950



The Lindens, Rugeley

 JR Properties are pleased to bring to market this four bedroom,three storey home, situated in a quiet cul de sac. Having Hallway, Guest w.c, Breakfast Kitchen and Lounge. First Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom.Landing to Master Bedroom with En Suite. Drive to Garage and Good sized Garden to rear

£207.995





 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this two bedroom terraced bungalow, in a retirement complex and being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Accommodation having Hallway, Lounge Fitted Kitchen. Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Communal Gardens and Parking. More details

£103.000



St Thomas Way, Hawksyard

> JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this well presented and located semi detached home on the Hawksyard development. The accommodation comprises Hallway, guest wc, lounge, dining kitchen, three bedrooms, en suite and bathroom. Front and rear gardens and offered with NO



York Close, Rugeley

 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this spacious first floor apartment which would be an ideal Investment/ FTB purchase. Offered with No Upward Chain the apartment features hallway and landing, open plan lounge with kitchen, master bedroom and bathroom Allocated parking also features





 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this detached family home, located on a corner plot and available with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Accommodation having Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Fitted Kitchen and Shower Room. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Drive to Garage and Gardens to side and rear



Tithebarn Road, Rugeley

 JR Properties are pleased to market this well presented three bedroom detached bungalow. in a quiet cul de sac location. Accommodation having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen and Conservatory. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to Garage and good sized Garden to rear

£274,950





Oakenhurst Av, Hawksyard

JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this well presented three bedroom terraced property,being ideal for first time buyers. Having Hallway, Guest w.c, Lounge and Breakfast Kitchen. Landing, Bedroom One with En Suite, Two further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garden to rear and Allocated Parking

£154,950

Waterside, Brereton



 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this three bedroom extended family home, situated in a quiet cul de sac location. Being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN and having Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen and Guest W.C. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear.

£124.950



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Elizabethan Way, Rugeley

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£269,950



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Hindley View, Rugeley



 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this modern three bedroom semi detached home, being located close to local amenities. Having Hallway, Lounge, Guest w.c and Breakfast Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Two allocated parking to rear and Gardens, "IDEAL INVESTMENT PROPERTY" £155.000

The Lindens, Rugeley

 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this spacious second floor one bedroom apartment in a popular location close to town. The self contained apartment has a security intercom entrance with hallway, lounge and kitchen, bedroom and bathroom. An allocated parking space is also included

£92.500



Armitage Road, Rugeley

 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this two bedroom traditional home, situated close to local amenities. Accommodation having Hallway, Lounge, Kitchen, Utility Room and Conservatory. Landing to Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to front and good sized gardens. NO UPWARD CHAIN.

£154.950

Brereton Mews, Brereton



 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this two bedroom ground floor apartment, being very well presented and offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN, Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing Accommodation having Breakfast Kitchen, Lounge, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Allocated parking.



JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this well presented four bedroom detached family home,in a gated complex Having Hallway, Guest w.c, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen and Utility. Landing, Master Bedroom with En Suite,Three further Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to Garage and Garden to



Woodheyes Lawns, Etching

 JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this well presented semi detached home, situated in a quiet cul de sac location. Accommodation having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Refitted Breakfast Kitchen. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Refitted Bathroom. Drive to Garage and Garden to rear

£156.000

Chester Road, Rugeley



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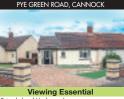
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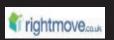
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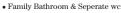
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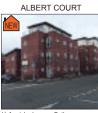
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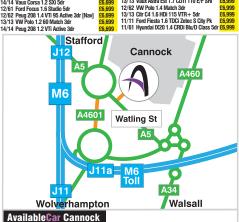
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S-Cross is beefed up and much tastier now

By John Griffiths

The often overlooked Suzuki S-Cross was among the early players in the now burgeoning compact crossover sector.

In spite of competitive pricing and a high degree of competence, what it perhaps lacked was the chunky looks demanded by those who have sent SUV sales soaring by 27 per cent this year. The car was too car-

But that's all changed, with a heavily revamped model which offers more room, a range of new hi-tech and efficient engines and importantly perhaps – if first impressions do count – the stronger, bolder looks of a full-blown SUV.

The S-Cross now comes with two small and economical

(but still punchy) turbocharged petrol engines: a 1.0 litre version from the new Baleno and the 1.4 from the acclaimed new Vitara S. The revamped 1.6 turbo diesel is more familiar, but now offers lower fuel consumption and CO2 emissions. Unlike many of its rivals, all versions are available with Su-

zuki's proven ALLGRIP four wheel drive on demand system

zuki s proven ALLGHIP four wheel drive on demand system. Prices range from £14,999 for a two-wheel drive with the 1.0 Boosterjet engine, rising to £24,349 flagship model with 1.6 turbo diesel and four wheel drive. A six-speed twin clutch auto is an option with both petrol engines.

The new S-Cross is much more distinctively styled, with a bolder new grille, clam sheel bonnet, broader 'shoulders'

and new LED lights. It also has greater ground clearance. Inside, it has been upgraded with some softer, more expensive-looking materials and a lot of new technology, including the central information/control screen. The cabin has plenty of room for five adults. Leg and headroom in the back is particularly generous for this class, with a roomy 430 litre boot (875 litres with the rear seatbacks folded down). The seating position is high, one of the attractions of an SUV. It means easier access, and great visibility.

A major attraction is that you can have a smooth, com-

fortable car with 4x4 capability that is still economical to run and environmentally friendly. That's thanks to the combination of new engines and Suzuki's ALLGRIP 4x4 system, both geared to efficiency and fuel saving.

I must admit that, although I was mightly impressed by the 1.0 Boosterjet engine in the Baleno I did wonder how such a small, three cylinder engine would cope with a heavier 4x4. The answer is perfectly, confirming my high opinion of it in the Baleno. The figures are some illustration: 0 to 62mph in 11 seconds, an official 56.4mpg average and a low 113g/km of CO2, but that's only part of the story.
The small, turbocharged petrol engine is becoming in-

creasingly popular with manufacturers and drivers. It has the economy advantage of a small engine under light throttle, but put your foot down and you have the added oomph

The Boosterjet produces 110bhp and 170Nm of torque. Compare that to a current, normally aspirated 1.0 litre engine from a major manufacturer – 60bhp and 95Nm.

The torque figure is, if anything, more important than bhp. It mean the Boosterjet, and consequently the S-Cross, is responsive and flexible from low revs and it drives particularly smoothly and quietly without the noise and need for constant gearchanges we experience in a more traditional

engine.

During a long test drive across A and B roads in North Wales, my test car averaged an impressive 49.7mpg. Driving it was a relaxed experience because it has the refinement of a car with a much bigger (and thirstier) car.

The 1.4 Boosterjet, of course, has more of everything 140PS, 220Nm, a 0 to 62mph sprint time of 10.2 seconds and yet still manages better than 50mpg economy and CO2 emissions of 127g/km. It is both more powerful and more economical than the old 1.6 petrol engine it replaces.

Currently 76 per cent of all Suzuki's sold here go to private buyers, people spending their own money which says

a lot for the brand.

But Suzuki is hoping to make a bigger impact on the fleet market with its 1.6 turbo diesel version of the S-Cross, with a special business-user specification, the SZ-T. With 120bhp and 320NM of torque it can average almost 69mpg and the lowest CO2 rating of the range – 106g/km – making it one of the most tax-efficient SUVs around.

The ALLGRIP system was pioneered in the original S-Cross and is a small, light weight replacement for more

traditional four wheel drive systems, aiding economy.

All models come with seven airbags and an electronic stability system, and have a five star EuroNCAP safety rating.

All models, get alloy wheels, air con, cruise control, ste-reo radio/CD player and Bluetooth connectivity, electric windows, electrically heated and adjustable door mirrors, hill hold control, automatic engine stop/start and multi-function information display.

The S-Cross's bold new 'face' will probably be the first thing many potential buyers notice, but competence as well as beauty isn't just skin deep.







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Understated but Alpina has superb performance

Alpina has a long-standing reputation for taking all the key cars from BMW's line-up and

With the B4 Biturbo, the German tuning company has brought in a BMW 435i convertible, taken away the standard car's single turbocharger and replaced it with two instead That results in a car which produces an amount of power within striking distance of a BMW M4 Cabrio but with more

torque too.

Of course, the car also gets Alpina's styling tweaks.
There's the standard 20-inch multi spoke alloy wheels and aerodynamic kit. There's also a rather nice four-pipe Akrop ovic exhaust system at the back, to let you know that this isn't any old BMW convertible.

Alpinas have always been able to manage the look of a

car that is understated, but shows sporting intent too. The B4 Biturbo convertible continues this. There's the previously mentioned bodykit, which includes a front splitter. You'll also find Alpina pin striping along the flanks of the car. This may not be to everyone's taste, but in our eyes, it looks fantastic. The large multi-spoke wheels finish the exterior look, and a ducktail spoiler at the rear looks the part too.

Inside, it'll be familiar to anyone who has seen or driven a current-generation 3 Series. BMW's excellent infotaliment system remains, controlled by the i-drive rotary selector. There are, of course, certain elements of the interior that have been tweaked by Alpina. The steering wheel, for in-

stance, is thin and trimmed in alcantara, rather than the much thicker BMW M-Sport one.

There's a leather-trimmed dash too, though on our test car, this was a hefty £1,075 option. Blue and green stitching is used throughout the cabin, while a numbered metal

plaque makes you fully aware – if you weren't already – that you're driving something a little bit special. Legroom Despite having seating for four, the B4 is not a fully-fledged four-seater, rather a 2+2. The rear seats would be fine for children, but adults are going to find it a bit of a squeeze. Up front, however, there's plenty of room. Legroom is de-cent and there's plenty of space for bottles and other items. Two large cup holders are useful, especially on hot days with the roof down. However, that roof does affect practicality. If you fold it away, you have to lower the luggage cover in the boot, heavily compromising space. It's a small thing, but users looking to lower the roof often may find it annoying. Make no question about it, the B4 Biturbo is quick. Putting out 410bhp and 600Nm torque, it can reach 62mph in

4.5 seconds and goes on to 187mph. However, the car's approach to those figures isn't as aggressive as you might think. Powered through an eight-speed ZF auto the Alpina

wafts up to speed in a more relaxing fashion than the body-kit would allow you to imagine. That exhaust isn't intrusive giving a lovely, mechanical note under heavy acceleration. Alpina makes sure to thoroughly change the suspension on any car it makes, and the B4 is no different. The wheels.

though wearing 245/30 section tyres, bear no impact on the car's ride. In fact, you'd be hard-pressed to find a car that

deals better with bumps in the road one. It is firm without jarring, which is just what you want in a convertible. This is bettered by placing the car in comfort mode. Up and run-

ning, the B4 is easy to drive quickly, with the vast amount of torque on offer making change of pace quick and effortless. It also means it is relaxing to drive on the motorway too.

The B4's steering is also excellent, helped no doubt by

the thin-rimmed wheel. Alpina still curiously chooses to use buttons mounted behind the wheel rather than paddle shift-ers, which is one thing we'd change. That ZF gearbox still provides excellent shifts time after time, though. One annoy-ance was the start-stop system, which had a habit of cutting

arice was the start-stop system, which had a habit of cutting in incredibly early, and then starting again with a jolt. Prices start at £62,950. Our test car, fitted with options such as adaptive headlights and Merino leather, came in at £72,010. Make no mistake, this Alpina is not cheap. For that money though, you get a level of subtleness that is hard to

describe. Given the performance available, the car's price makes sense. When you also take into account the bespoke

nature of the car's suspension and powertrain, as well as the interior, then it begins to look like good value.

If you're looking to stand out from the crowd, the Alpina perhaps isn't the best choice. If, however, you fancy driving a car that has understated presence hiding a vast amount of

By Jack Evans

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Swedish vibes and clean lines in the V90



By Ian Donaldson

GOODNESS, hasn't Volvo changed in the six years since the Chinese took control, most obviously seen in a very un-Swedish outward display of confidence in their cars.

Once upon a time, even right into the age when Ford made the big decisions, you would have heard how safe and sensible were the cars designed in

Gothenburg.

A little dull, perhaps, but so, so appealing to the inner

accountant and responsible granddad in potential buyers.

They are still safe today – safer than ever, in fact, with the big XC90 SUV emerging as the safest car ever to be crashed on purpose in the respected EuroNCAP tests.

The next new Volvo along is the V90 estate and S90 saloon, tested here and both built on the same underpinnings

that made the XC90 such a star performer in the safety tests.

They're sensible too, with enough room in the rear for trice of adults and luggage space that varies from generous (500 litres in the S90) to luxury van-like (560 litres) in the V90, even before you pop the split rear seats flat.

But no Volvo before has even been introduced with a graph showing it roaring away from the lights ahead of its competitors, some of them with bigger and more brutish engines doing the work.

Showcase

That point was made to both showcase the surprising power from the Volvo's 2.0 litre diesel engines (the firm has pledged never to go larger) and the clever technology on one of them that gives a boost away from the line.

That's called PowerPulse and pumps a high pressure puff of air into the turbocharger at low revs to smooth the delay you otherwise find between ordering full power and it arriving that is a downside of turbo'ed motors.

Most S/V90 models won't actually have the instant turbo Most S/V90 models won't actually have the instant turbo effect, making do with a less powerful version of the same diesel engine (D4 versus D5) that is going to be much the most popular power unit across the new range, with the D5 taking 20 per cent and the part-electric plug-in hybrid T8 Twin Engine a niche 10 per cent when it arrives next year. Prices start at 32,555 for an S90 saloon in D4 (190hp)

Momentum trim, moving up to £41,555 for an S90 D5 Momentum with all-wheel drive and a 235hp engine.

Head for a posher Inscription version and you add £3,000 and £2,500 respectively to the bottom line. Fancy an estate - most will - and there's an easily remembered £2,000 price hike across the board.

Handsome

However much you spend on the newcomer it results in a car that looks notably handsome, with uncluttered lines giving off very Swedish vibes. Same goes for the interior, with matt wood flashes in some versions adding to the Scandi furniture effect, even if some of the plastics on the dash felt

a bit ungiving.

Buy the least expensive of the newcomers and you won't

feel shortchanged.
Standard kit includes all the obvious bits – sat nav, climate control, big alloy wheels, heated front seats, power boot of tailgate and leather trim.

It also feels comfortable, with typically well shaped seats and a ride that stays the right side of too-firm, if feeling modestly bouncy at times.

You can order in a so-called dynamic mode at the twist and push of a knurled wheel between the front seats, but this simply makes the steering heavier, even if the auto gear-box does then change more enthusiastically.

Drive it in comfort mode and you will still find plenty of performance, even in D4 guise (but the big surprise will come when you check the fuel consumption, with an impressive 52mpg showing after a thorough test. That might be considered as practical as can be.

How very Volvo.

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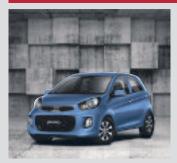
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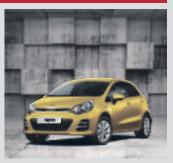
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Five of the best cars for dog owners to carry their pooches

For many families in the UK, children aren't the only thing that they're going to be carting around in the back of the car. More often than not, they'll want to bring the family dog along with them.

After all, what's the point of going on a family road trip if you can't bring man's best friends along too? We've selected five of the best cars for dog

JAGUAR F-PACE

The F-Pace is the first ever SUV that Jaguar has made, and boy is it a pretty car.

Thanks to a large 650-litre boot, there is plenty of room for a decent-sized dog, as well as the rest of the family, too.

The boot opens wide, meaning it should be more than easy for your four-legged friend to jump on board.

It also has a reversible boot floor that is carpeted on one side and rubber on the other, which is certainly a nice touch if your dog likes to roll around in the mud on a reg-

BMW 5 SERIES TOURING

Not only are BMWs supposedly the ulti-mate driving machines, in estate guise, they also make for incredibly practical cars.

With 560 litres of space on offer, your dog will be able to travel in both comfort and

As this car doesn't sit as high as an SUV, your pooch with be able to jump in and out of the boot that much easier.

The tailgate also features something called a "shopping chute", which lets you open the boot window so you can load any

other dog associated bits and pieces into the car without running the risk of your dog

SKODA SUPERB ESTATE

If a 5 Series Touring is slightly out of your price bracket, the Skoda Superb Estate makes a great alternative. Not only is it significantly cheaper, it also boasts a massive 660-litre boot, which can be increased to 1,950 litres by folding the rear seats down Even if you were the proud owner of a Great Dane, the big Skoda should be more than capable of accommodating your dog.

RANGE ROVER

For those who can afford it, a Range Rover really is the ideal car for dog owners. Not can it access even the most remote dog walking location thanks to its supreme off-roading abilities, it will also take you and your dog to said location in extreme comfort. Its boot offers up to 2,030 litres of space with the rear seats folded down, and thanks to a splitting tailgate, you even have somewhere to sit and watch you dogs run around from. While the splitting tailgate might make it easier for larger dogs to climb on board, beware that the car's height may mean shorter dogs

CITROEN C4 CACTUS

If you're after a more rugged offering, take a look at the Citroen C4 Cactus. With prices starting at just under £13,000, the Cactus makes for a funky and affordable alternative to the more expensive and serious cars included on this list. Its fairly Spartan interior should be easy to clean once the dogs are out, and its raised ride height mean it will be able to reach those slightly more remote dog-walking locations.

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Nissan's Micra Gen5, unveiled at the 2016 Paris Motor Show, is a complete redefinition of what Micra means ... and is as audacious as it is revolutionary.

Targeted for Europe, the world's largest hatchback market, the Micra Gen5 is styled to turn heads, with a dramatic body length-defining character line. It is lower, wider and longer than its predecessors and has more interior space. It also has advanced new downsized turbo drivetrains, an agile chassis and a

full complement of innovative safety features.

Remaining faithful to the Sway Concept unveiled at the 2015 Geneva Motor Show, the Micra Gen5 fully embodies Nissan's latest design language with signature design cues and emotional body sculpting. Design cues include the distinctive V-motion grille, from where the sharp-edged character line runs through to the rear end, boomerang-shaped lights, and the floating roof – another Nissan design signa-ture – that creates an airy feeling. Other features include rear door handles hidden in the C-pillars and an extended roofline that incorporates a spoiler, benefiting the car's aerodynamic performance and aesthetics

The dramatic looks are matched by a selection of 10 sophisticated and vivid exterior colours, including Energy Orange. Additional exterior and interior personalisation options allow for the creation of 125 different variations, enabling owners to stamp their own style on their new Micra.

Much attention has been paid to driver comfort, with a lower driving position for a more secure driving feel. It's easy for all drivers to achieve the perfect driving position thanks to greater seat adjustment, the fully adjustable steering wheel and the optimal positioning of the pedals and shift lever. The car's extended width and wheelbase means cabin space is among the best in class. The gliding-wing shaped dashboard gives the cabin a light, sleek and spacious im-

Extensive

This Micra Gen5 is the first in Nissan's B-segment line-up to offer such an extensive set of advanced safety features, available across all grades, bringing Nissan Intelligent Driving to life. Usually found in larger cars, available technologies include Lane Departure Prevention, a segment first. Intelligent Emergency Braking with pedestrian recognition, a first for Nissan vehicles in Europe, as well as Intelligent Around View Monitor, Traffic Sign Recognition, High Beam

Around View Monitor, Traffic Sign Recognition, High Beam Assist and Blind Spot Warning. Together, these advanced safety features are the building blocks for Autonomous Driving and are an integral part of Nissan Intelligent Mobility.

An exclusive feature of Micra Gen5 is the all-new six-speaker Bose® Personal® sound system, developed through close collaboration with Nissan. This first-of-its-kind sound system is optimised for the driver, with two Bose Ultra-Nearfield "speakers combined with Bose PersonalSpace." Nearfield™ speakers, combined with Bose PersonalSpace Virtual Audio Technology, built into the driver seat headres for a remarkably immersive listening experience. Additional passengers benefit from new Bose Super65 speakers in each of the front doors, producing powerful low-note performance, and tweeters in each A-pillar for sonic clarity.

Micra Gen5 comes with a 7-inch full colour central dis-

micra Geris cories with a 7-inch full colour central dis-play, providing access to the audio system, satellite navi-gation, mobile phone, downloadable apps and Siri voice control via Apple CarPlay. Micra Gen5 features include Active Ride Control for en-hanced ride comfort, and Active Trace Control for reduced

understeer and sharper handling – combining driver enjoyment and reassurance – innovations only available on Nissan's Qashqai and X-Trail until now. A new brushless electric power steering system - for greater steering feel and response - is also available.

Much attention has been paid to reducing noise in the cabin. Improvements include outstanding noise insulation and optimisation of the car's aerodynamic performance. Exceptional aero efficiency has been achieved thanks to the combined roof and side spoiler. As a result, the new Micra

has achieved a Cd of 0.29 – top level for a hatchback.
Engine efficiency has also been a key objective in the development of the Micra Gen5. At launch, the car will offer the choice of a 0.9-litre turbocharged three-cylinder petrol engine and a 1.5-litre diesel, both developing 90hp.The range will be joined soon after by a naturally aspirated 73hp 1.0-litre petrol engine. These engines, together with efficient aerodynamics, mark another step forward in Nissan Intelli-

The Micra Gen5 will revolutionise customer expectations in the B-segment by introducing a unique blend of striking design, new, intuitive technology and confident, agile perfor mance. Its striking design and bold colour options will make it stand out from the crowd, while its interior roominess and advanced features will appeal to buyers looking for more from their B-segment hatchback, or to those downsizing.

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Straight to the top of the class for Touran

By John Griffiths

People carriers may lack the glamour or fashionable appeal of some genres of car, which for the present seems to be the SUV, or aports utility vehicle.

But where they have the edge over big saloons natchbacks and yes, even the SUV, is for sheer practicality: the flexibility to easily accommodate up to seven people or a van load of cargo, or a combina

So Volkswagen has reason to brag that its new Touran went straight to the top of the class by winning the hotly contested 'best MPV' title in this year's What Car? Awards.

VW has plenty of experience of multi-purpose vehicles of course. The Touran, now it its 14th year, sits between the more recent Golf SV and its largest MPV, the full-size Sha

The new model builds on core strengths of space, mul ti-adjustable seats for maximum flexibility, and the driveabil ity of a family hatchback. Now it's bigger, better equippe with a more premium feel to the cabin. It's more aerody namic and lighter, which with a range of new petrol and die sel engines means new Touran is leaner and greener, too.

VW expects, naturally, the biggest selling version to be powered by the improved 115PS, 1.6 litre diesel which achieved almost 70mpg in official tests. But those who prefer petrol are in for a surprise with the option of two superb new, small capacity petrol units, turbocharged for more power and, crucially, more torque which means smoothe more relaxed progress. There's a 1.4 litre TSI with 150bhp and the impressive 1.2 litre version powering the test car, midrange SE spec model costing £23,575 on the road.
I confess that, even though I'm familiar with VW TSI en

gines, on first seeing the specification, I wasn't looking for ward to driving a big seven-seater with a mere 1,200cc un ward to driving a big sevent-seater with a rifere 1,200cc un-der the bonnet. But what a surprise! This mighty atom of an engine produces 110Ps of power and 175Nm of torque and is actually marginally quicker off the mark than its 1.6 diesel stablemate at 11.3 seconds from a standard to judge by the stable of the stability of the stable of the stable

in this class. Unlike a traditional petrol engine, the TSI's turbo means maximum pulling power is available from jus 1,400rpm, barely above tickover, so it pulls sweetly and smoothly across a range of engine speeds and gear positions. It makes the drive far more relaxed, and it's exception ally quiet, too, adding to the upmarket feel created by th upgraded cabin trim.

The official fuel average is 52.3mpg, and I managed to get remarkably close to that (51.4) on a 200-mile trip taking in town traffic, motorway and A-road driving. It manage 48mpg over a series of local journeys, too.

Flexibility

But the real selling point for an MPV over other types of car is space and flexibility, and the Touran excels in both The new model is longer and mm wider, with a longer wheelbase, and all of this additional space is used to create more space in the cabin. Seven seats are standard, with the rear pair capable of being individually folded flat into the floor to juggle between the needs of people and cargo. The centre three seats also fold and are easy to slide forward and backwards. Depending on which configuration (folding anything from one to five seats) you have from 137 to a van-like 1,847 litres of boot space. For a holiday with seven people, the Touran has roof rails for their luggage.

The centre touch screen control is fully compatible with martphone apps, and also has 'cam-connect' so that par ents can use a dashcam to monitor little ones in the back The in-car microphone, coupled to the audio system neans you won't need to shout at those in the back, eithe

The test car was an 'SE' version, the second of four trimevels available. It came with the full range of safety sys tems, including seven airbags, front assist, city braking and stability programme, plus the standard seven seats and and roof rails. The audio system, including DAB radio and CD player, has full multi-device connectivity to help keep pas-sengers occupied. Rain sensing wipers, automatic head-

lights, air conditioning, and alloy wheels are also on the list. There's a digital trip computer in the instrument cluster, plus fingertip controls on the wheel for audio, handsfree phone and and speed limiter. The adaptive cruise contro

uses sensors to maintain your distance from traffic in front, The Touran has room for seven of the tallest passengers, but doesn't feel big to drive likes some van-based MPVs of

old: indeed it feels as light and agile as its cousin the Golf. It's still instantly recognisable as a Touran, but it has los some of the boxy looks of the previous generation. VW has succeeded in giving the model and more upmarket look and feel, without sacrificing any of the flexibility and prac

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God bless you. Husband Alec, Son Steven, Daughter-in-Law Kath and Grandson Dan.

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JONES Stuart Graham

15.10.2012

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Mom and Family XXX

JONES Stuart Graham

October 15
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Just how much we miss you so.

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ALLEN George

October 17.

We cannot send a birthday card, your hand we cannot touch but God will take our greetings to the one we loved so much.

Your loving Wife Margaret and Family.

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acknowledgements

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Andy and Family would like to thank everyone who attended Dianne's funeral, and for all the kind messages of sympa-thy received during this sad time.

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The preferred alternative route for traffic will be available via A460 Brereton Road, A460 Main Road, A460 Brereton Hill, A51, B5013 Station Road, B5013 Anson Street, B5013 Elmore Lane, A460 Horse Fair and vice versa. Throughout the duration of this Order it will be necessary to temporary suspend the left turn only order from Wharf Road onto A460 Brereton Road.

The Order will come into operation on 3 November 2016 and the said works will commence on or as near as practicable to that date (taking place nightly between the hours of 23:00 and 06:00). It is anticipated that the works will be completed by 5 November 2016.

The Order will remain in force for a period of 18 months or until the railway bridge guttering repair works, which it is proposed to carry out on or near the road, have been completed, whichever is the earlier.

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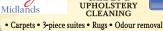
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Ellis Clifton is put through his paces at Lions Boxing Club by coach Kev Dillon

Bob Dillon has been helping GB to success at Olympic Games

Pride of Lions Bob helps GB to roar at Olympics

A BLACK COUNTRY voice has been helping Team GB's boxers reach the gold

neiping learn GB's boxers reach the gold standard for quite some time and it was no different during Rio 2016.

Dudley's Bob Dillon serves as the GB squad's lead podium potential coach and worked with the boxers again this year. He cut short his trip to return home for an open day at the gym he founded, Lions Boxing Club in Brierley Hill, and to join his wife Julie for her 60th birthday celebrations

celebrations.

In Rio, Joshua Buatsi secured GB's first boxing medal, a bronze, after a points defeat to Kazakhstan's Adilbek Niyazymbetov.

Joe Joyce followed with a silver in the super heavyweight category and Nicola Adams become a double gold medalist after repeating her triumph from London 2012.

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don 2012. With GB reaching its target of leaving Brazil with three medals, Dillon can take his share of the credit. Buatsi, Joyce and Adams all came through his boxing programme, as did most of their immediate predecessors who starred at the Olympics.

Champion

He's close to Anthony Joshua, who turned pro to become a world champion after going all of the way at London 2012. He also worked Luke Campbell, who

at London 2012. He also worked Luke Campbell, who won gold and then turned over to the pro ranks. James DeGale, who went to Beijing 2008, was another protege who joined the paid game, and went on to become the first British Olympic gold medallist to win a world boxing title.

Dillon, aged 59, is now back full time at the English Institute of Sport in Sheffield. New prospects need to be brought into the system and prepared for the European and World Championships, with the long-

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By Craig Brich

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term focus towards Tokyo 2020. "We've pretty much operated with the thinking of those that medal will turn pro. It's rare that doesn't come to pass," he said. "Then you've got those that we believed would do very well in the Olympies and haven't, for whatever reason. Sometimes, it's just down to being on the wrong side of a bad decision.

"We've got to pick them up and bring them on again so, hopefully, they get it right next time. You only get so many chances.

"It's my job to help bring through young boxers and that's where a lot of our attention will be going.

"We look at some youth boxers, so our age range is 17-18 up to about 40, which is the senior limit. Audley Harrison was 29 when he went to the Sydney Olym-

Harrison was 29 when he went to the Sydney Olym-pics in 2000.

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"It's hard what we do, but that's boxing. It breaks people more than any other sport. Coming here doesn't suit everybody, but it's what you need to do to get to the top."

Dillon is a three-star AIBA boxing coach and has been employed full-time at the EIS for six years, having previously worked part-time for GB since 1999.

One Black Country cohort now on the fighting

team is Darlaston's Benjamin Whittaker, 19, who was picked for the podium squad in May. None of Dillon's fighters at club level have ever rep-

None of Dillon's fighters at club level have ever represented GB, despite the Lions alumni containing a host of national champions and internationals.

Andrew Price, James Price, Luke Richards, Ricky Summers and Connor Jones all featured for England, but no further. Dillon still rates Jones and the late Thomas Hickinbottom — who tragically died aged 14 in 2003 after a freak road accident — among the most talented boxers he's seen first-hand.

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He speaks from a lifetime of experience in the game
which started when he was 11, at Kinver and then
Warley Boxing Club.

He later became head coach for Warley before starting Lions in 2000, which continues to be a family-run

establishment.

Corner

Julie is treasurer and also an accredited judge while son Kevin, 32, is a trainer. Then there's the imposing figure of head coach John Shakespeare, who reached a national final himself boxing for Warley in the 1987

anational final himself boxing for Warley in the 1987 senior ABA competition.

Dillon can still work the corner at club level and does so for Lions members when his obligations allow. He gave a speech at the open day about what it takes to succeed in all areas of boxing.

He said: "Since the start of 2015, I've been to 18 different countries with my job and I wouldn't have it any other way.

"I've been away with work a lot and it's vital I've had the support of family. I'll be having a go at Tokyo and carrying on for as long as my heart is in it.

"You haven't got to be fight to be a part of something in this sport. You can contribute in so many different ways. At the club, most of the experienced boxers are also coaching and bringing the lads on.

"Sticking together is the way to succeed."





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Coach Bob packs punch to help boxers make podium

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Cannock yet to get a win this season

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Doncaster 4 Cannock Men's 1sts 1 CANNOCK are still searching for the first win of the hockey season. Chris Beck scored a late consolation and Beck scored a late consolation, and thoughts now turn to the visit of Preston on Sunday (2pm).

Cannock 5th 1 Bridgnorth 5ths 1

The weekend began with a frustrating draw for the 5ths, who are targeting processor.

motion. Cannock made the breakthrough motion. Cannock made the breakthrough in the second half but gave Bridgnorth a way back five minutes later.

Cannock 3rds 6 Rugby & E Warwick 2

Tom Widdowson's 3rds went two goals ahead inside the first 10 minutes. However, they took their foot off the gas and allowed the visitors to level.

But after that setback, Cannock went on to dominate and earn all three points.

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Stourport 2 Cannock 2nds 2

Away from Chase Park, Cannock 2nds faced an uphill battle from the beginning with only 11 players due to drop-outs and injuries. Ben Balcombe stepped up to give Cannock a spare player and performed admirably. Goals from Richard Parker and Hamish McKittrick should have been enough but Cannock ended up with a second successive score draw.

Rugby & E Warwick 4 Cannock 4ths 2
A depleted fourth team, under new

A depleted fourth team, under new leader Raff Moscatiello, battled hard but leader Raff Moscatiello, battled hard but silly errors saw them two goals down early on. Nevertheless, Cannock fought back and drew level thanks to goals from George Collins and Nathan Lotfhouse but Dave Wigg took a ball to the fore-head and this had a massive impact on the game as Cannock tired.

Newport 2 Cannock fits 2

Newport 2 Cannock 6ths 2

A mixed team lined up at Lilleshall and two goals from Bruce Alcock gave Cannock a draw in an enjoyable game

Cannock Badgers lost 1-0 at Ashby, while Cannock 2nds lost 8-1 in their cup tie at Loughborough.

Returning skipper inspires Hayes to a home triumph

Heath Hayes 3 Studley 0
HAYES were given a boost with the return of skipper Jack Arrowsmith after his recovery from stomach surgery.
Joe Hartshorne gave the home side a third-minute lead, latching onto an underhit back pass. Hayes then lost midfielder Liam Degville on the hour with a thigh injury, but his replacement, 17-year-old Connor Haddaway, had an immediate impact by playing a defence-splitting pass to Hartshorne whose cross was powered home by Jack Jones.

fence-splitting pass to Hartshorne whose cross was powered home by Jack Jones. Hartshorne made the game safe with a fine volley before hitting the bar.

Heath Hayes 4 Lye Town 2 (AET)
Lye went ahead in the 34th minute of this JW Hunt Cup clash and doubled their lead three minutes later. Ryan Burns pulled one back for Hayes on 61.

As tempers frayed, Lye's Alex Dallison was shown a second yellow with seven minutes left, and within a minute, Heath Hayes were level – a cross from the right headed home by Ryan Goodwin.

Joe Hartshorne gave Hayes the lead in the 101st minute, and three minutes later, Rhys Horton sealed the win.

Ex-Walsall star Martin seeks sponsors



FORMER Walsall and Birmingham City captain Martin O'Connor is looking to boost his football and education academy by getting

then they do work in the afternoon. It is all sport-related, and we are in a competitive league."

league."
His team finished third in the Under-19
Alliance league, but Mr O'Connor said he
was hoping to finish higher.
The 48-year-old added: "We did well last
year, so this year we are looking to beat that."
For more information, visit martin-oconnor.
com or email him on moc@mocefa.co.uk

Lions devour points after long journey

Clee Hill 14 Cannock 15
CANNOCK Lions came home with another victory on the road. The long car journey to Clee Hill and the delay in clubhouse being opened to allow the warm-up routine to go as it usually would wasn't a great start to the day. It did not get much better when the hosts went 7-0 up. But Jordan Pincombe kicked a penalty, and Cannock led at half-time when the same player converted Joe Brooke's try.

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Pincombe added to the score with a

Pincombe added to the score with a try after the break but was unlucky not to score the conversion.

The last 10 minutes were nervy as Clee Hill scored a controversial try, which they the converted, but they missed the chance to win as they kicked a late penalty wide

Cleobury Mortimer 43 Burntwood 10
BURNTWOOD'S winning start to the season came to an abrupt halt. Three tries down going into the second quar-ter, they battled back to win their fair

ter, they battled back to win their fair share of possession and territory but endured an off day in attack.

In contrast, the hosts soaked up the pressure and hit Burntwood on the break to run in seven tries.

Facing a 17 point deficit so early in the game, Dan Garrity crossed in the corner, but Cleobury were able to record a bonus point try for a 22-5 half-time advantage.

The hosts moved further ahead five minutes into the second period with a try and conversion.

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Then, with their first venture into the

opposition half for 15 minutes, the hosts added to their score with another try and conversion.

Luke Rookyard got Burntwood back

Luke Kookyard got Burntwood back on the scoresheet on 67 minutes, but Cleobury completed the scoring with a try converted under the posts. Burntwood 2nds/3rds faced Spartans 4ths at The Sportsway and won 22-0. **United in control** with goals salvo

Cannock United 4 Hilton Harriers 2
CANNOCK pulled out all the stops, bouncing back from a dismal display to beat Hilton. The home side controlled the first half and looked more and more comfortable as the game went on.

Josh Bradley headed home a precisely delivered Ryan Shoemark corner.

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The second hair saw much of the same from Cannock, but Sam Marfin equal-ised from the spot on 57 minutes after a clumsy challenge by Jack Hames. Grant McCarty netted on 62 and 64 minutes before Tom Kneller converted a spot kick after 69 minutes. Hilton pulled one back just before full-time.

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Martin O'Connor with members of the academy

Hednesford Town 3 Corby 0

HEDNESFORD Town returned to winning ways in the league with a convincing 3-0 victory over rock bottom Corby Town

After dominating possession in the opening exchanges, it was no surprise when Hednesford

exchanges, it was no surprise when Hednesford took the lead in the 20th minute through former Corby man Ashley Sammons' 25 yard effort.

The home side should have doubled their lead in the 64th minute but Danny Glover's penalty was saved by Monty Parkes.

Any nerves were eased in the 72nd minute when Carline rose highest to head home from a corner. A third goal followed seven minutes from mine as Jim Mutton headed in his first goal for the club from six yards out.

Rushall Olympic 2 Hednesford Town 1

SEVEN miles apart and separated only by one

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It's 22 years since the Pitmen last managed to secure a victory at Dales Lane. And John Allen's side extended their home hoodoo thanks to a late

side extended their home hoodoo thanks to a late piece of magic from substitute Stan Mugisha.

There were three minutes remaining when the pacey forward latched on to a long ball forward. A rush of blood to the head saw Hednesford keeper Dan Crane charge into a race he didn't need to

enter - and Mugisha took it round him to slot home from a tight angle.

Hednesford took the lead when George Carline rose highest to powerfully head home Danny

Glover's cross.

It took Rushall just three minutes of the sec-

It took Rushall just three minutes of the second half to get themselves back on terms as Alex Reid nodded home his 11th of the campaign.

The Pitmen entertain Blyth Spartans on Saturday. Kick off is at 3pm.

Carlton 3 Chasetown 1

CARLTON Town dumped Chasetown out of the FA Trophy at the preliminary round stage.

Two goals from Niall Davie gave Carlton a two-goal cushion before Mitchell Piggon lobbed over the keeper for a reply. Jake Wholey tapped in a third in stoppage time.

Scholars travel to Northwich Victoria on Satscholars and Sat

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on Monday night.

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The Martin O'Connor Education & Football Academy, which is based at Norton Canes High School, was set up last year and has 35 potential players on its books.

It has recently bought a 17-seat minibus to take players and staff to and from games. Mr O'Connor, who lives in Pelsall, said: "We have got 35 guys, all 16 to 18.

"We coach them in the morning, and

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Fans' £300 for air ambulance

Pitman Pete hands over a cheque to Katie West watched by Steve Williams

the collection - and thanked the fans for their

generosity.
Meanwhile, fans have snapped up tickets for
Mengland and Manchester United legend Bryan
Robson's talk at Keys park on October 27 start-

Robson's talk at Keys park on October 27 starting at 7.30pm.

The ex-Albion captain will recall the time his high-flying Middlesbrough side were shook by Hednesford in a dramatic 4th round FA Cup tie at the Riverside stadium, which Boro won 3-2

at the Riverside stadium, which Boro won 3-2 en route to the final.

He will be interviewed by BBC radio presenter Paul Gough, with audience members also getting the chance to ask questions about his career.

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HEDNESFORD Town FC Supporters Association has handed over a donation of more than £300 to the Midlands Air Ambulance.

Club mascot Pitman Pete handed over the cheque for £305.57 during the half-time interval at the recent match against Mickleover Sports to Katie West, Staffordshire fundraising manager, with the supporters' association's Steve Williams in support.

The cash was raised by donations made by supporters and members of the local community on August 27 when Keys Park hosted the I am Team GB event in conjunction with the home game against Whitby.

Katie said she was thrilled by the response to

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